

December 8, 2017

Park and Recreation Department Recreation Councils
Via Recreation Council Presidents/Area Committee Representatives

Via Email Only

Subject: Council Policy 700-42 Working Group

First, let me again thank you for the many ways you have provided input over the last several months regarding anticipated changes to Recreation Council Operations.

As we have discussed at meetings and other communications, we are establishing a Working Group to review the existing Council Policy on Recreation Councils (700-42). The Working Group will develop recommendations for changes to update the policy to meet legal requirements and incorporate necessary changes per the recent City Attorney's Legal Opinion.

With this letter, we are soliciting interest for participation in the Working Group. To indicate your interest, please send the attached form, with a brief letter of interest to me at PRWorkingGroup@sandiego.gov. Please include your related background, your current or former position within a recreation council, and any other information you feel relevant. **If you are interested in participating, please submit your form and letter of interest no later than Friday December 22, 2017.** Please note that the email address will not be operational until Monday, Dec 11, 2017.

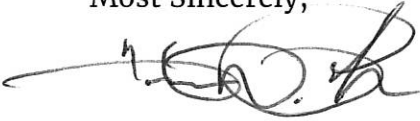
There will be two representatives from each Council District selected from the applicant pool. We are inviting past members of recreation councils to submit letters of interest as well; as you may know, some have already offered to participate. We will then submit names to each Council Office for them to select representatives. The Working Group will also include co-chairs of the Park Board (who are also current members of recreation councils). The final makeup of the working group will be dependent on applicant interest.

We will also appoint a staff member from the Park and Recreation Department who will provide documents, policy and related resources/information. Lastly, we will identify a facilitator from outside the Park and Recreation Department who will facilitate each meeting, and also serve in a support role to the Working Group.

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Thank you again for your volunteer efforts on behalf of the City of San Diego. In that spirit of thankfulness, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy and peaceful holiday season.

Most Sincerely,



Herman D. Parker, Director
Park and Recreation Department

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ATTACHMENT

cc: Honorable Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer
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