

CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
University Heights Community Recreation Group  
MINUTES

May 4, 2023 at 5:30 pm

\*\*\*IN-PERSON MEETING AT BIRNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY ROOM\*\*\* Alice  
Birney Elementary School Library 4345 Campus Avenue, San Diego CA 92130

**Mailing Address:**

North Park Recreation Center  
4044 Idaho Street  
San Diego, CA 92104

**ATTENDANCE**

Marc Johnson, Chairperson  
Ernie Bonn, Corresponding Secretary  
Stu McGraw, proposed Vice Chair  
Chris Milnes  
Sol Schumer  
Andy Cameron

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jeffery Taylor

**CITY STAFF**

Michele Chicarelli, Area Manager II - Absent  
Council District 3 Representative - Ryan Darsey- Absent  
Justin Necaize, Presidio Recreation Center Director I Absent  
Tianna David, North Park Recreation Center Director III

**GUESTS**

**CALL TO ORDER** - Marc Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved/seconded (Chris Milnes/Andy Cameron) to approve April 6, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously (6-0-0).

**COMMUNICATIONS** -

**CHAIRPERSON REPORT** - No Report

**REPORTS**

**Parks and Recreation**

**Area Manager -**

- Ed Center Dog Park contract with the City and District has been finalized. Construction on installing the fence will begin the week of May 15<sup>th</sup> and completed by May 31<sup>st</sup>.
- City facilities will investigate installing the plexi glass at Old Trolley barn Park Kiosk
- Old Trolley Barn Park is experiencing a high volume of graffiti daily.
- New playground sand was installed at Old Trolley Barn Park on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Presidio Recreation Center** - Justin reported

- The 12U Presidio Volleyball and Soccer teams made their debut at their first games located at Park De La Cruz Recreation Center
- A quote has been requested on behalf of the ballfield fence
- A new out of class assignment has been assigned to fill in for Justin while he is on his temporary out of class assignment as a Recreation Center Director II.
- Presidio Recreation Center is currently recruiting for our indoor soccer/ futsal classes.

**North Park Recreation Center** – Tianna reported

- North Park Athletic Fields Close May 15 and will reopen July 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Summer Program opens for registration May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Programs consist of youth sports, 10 weekday Camp
- Movie in the Park Event July 7<sup>th</sup> at North Park Passive Area.

**City Council District 3 Representative** – No Report

**San Diego Police Department** – No Report

**Birney Elementary** – Chairman Marc Johnson suggested to remove this subcommittee.

**University Heights Point** – Stu McGraw reported neighbors of the community are asking if the Rangers will return to University Heights Point due to concerns. There has been baggage piling up at New York and Golden Gate streets.

**Old Trolley Barn Neighborhood Park** – Report in Parks and Rec

**Parks and Recreation Community Parks II Area Committee** –No Report

**Uptown Planners** – Stu McGraw reported city attended to talk about camping at Inspiration Point to create “safe camping” for homeless.

**North Park Public Facilities Subcommittee** – No Report.

**Education Center Redevelopment** – Ernie Bonn reported the group is looking to restart meetings. Meeting info to be announced.

**ACTION ITEMS** – Consent (Items are adopted without discussion)

1. Update on July Concerts in the Park at Old Trolley Barn Park

It was moved/seconded (Marc Johnson/Andy Cameron) to approve the following dates for Concerts in the Park Every Friday in July from 6:00–8:00 pm with stages, restrooms and waived fees: July 7, 14, 21, 28 2023. Motion carried unanimously (6-0-0).

**WORKSHOP ITEMS** –

**INFORMATION ITEM** –

**ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business, Marc Johnson adjourned the meeting at 5:56 pm.

**NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING** - Thursday, June 1, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., at the Birney Elementary School Library room.

Tianna David Submitted by Tianna David, Center Director III

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