

**MINUTES**

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board

**MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE**

April 1, 2008

Santa Clara Point Recreation Center  
1008 Santa Clara Place  
San Diego, CA 92109

Mailing address is:  
Park and Recreation Department  
Developed Regional Parks  
2125 Park Blvd. Attn: Mission Bay Park Manager  
San Diego, CA 92101

<b><u>Members Present</u></b>	<b><u>Members Absent</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Present</u></b>
Bill Bushe	Mike Duckor	Susan Gonzales
Monica Fuentes	Pam Glover	Lori Gerbac
Jim Greene	Mort McCarthy	Mark Heacox
Karl Jaedtke		Rick Strobel
Richard Miller		
Gregg Peterson		
Jeton Prince		
Judy Swink		
Donald Peterson		
Jarl Turner		
Rick Bussel		
Billy Paul		

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Rick Bussell called the meeting to order at 6: 00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the February 12, 2008 meeting were approved.

**MSC IT WAS MOVED/SECONDED AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2008 MEETING. (R. Miller/J. Swink/10-0-1 [Abstain- K. Jaedtke])**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE**

None

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

401. Elite Racing- Rock-n-Roll Marathon: Elizabeth Cox
- The marathon will be on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> .
  - Route map and additional Mission Bay area access information was distributed.
  - No changes from previous year.
  - Ingraham St. will be closed from 6am-1pm.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

402. Sea World- Promenade Progress: Patrick Owen, Jennifer Nakayama
- Progress update distributed.
  - Opening ceremony (public event) anticipated on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 11am.
  - Upcoming activities include:
    - ADA modifications will be completed on the comfort station.
    - Finish site electrical, drainage, installation of fixtures, irrigation and landscaping.
    - Construction fence to be removed on west section.
    - Concrete placement on east section.
403. Sea World – I-5 Traffic Mitigation: Patrick Owen, Jennifer Nakayama  
Information distributed  
Plan to include:
- Extension of right-hand turn lane from east –bound Sea World Drive to south-bound I-5 onramp.
  - Bicycle lane and sidewalk.
  - Drought tolerant and native landscaping.
  - Signal coordination at intersection.
  - Schedule: California Coastal Commission (April), Development Services Dept, Caltrans (3-9 mos.process), finalize, go to bid (early 2009), construction.
404. Bathymetry Report: City of San Diego, Paul Jacob and Merkel and Associates, Keith Merkel
- Removed from Agenda
405. SDSU leasehold improvements: Glen Brandenburg
- Leasehold improvements will be made to the Mission Bay Aquatic Center
    - Solar panels, roof extension, family accessible restroom.
      - Not subject to design review for aesthetics (solar panels).
    - Construction schedule for roof is late May, June.
    - Construction for the restroom is early fall.
406. Update on Mission Bay Leases: City of San Diego Real Estate Assets, Garry Jones
- 28 leases in Mission Bay Park.
  - 6 leases on holdover (month to month basis)
    - Working on new lease for Bait Barge.
    - Addressing violations with Boat and Ski Club and possible relocation.
  - Revision to council policy related to sales.
  - Stakeholder meetings.
  - Finalizing policy, waiting for council approval.
  - Policy will provide a clear framework for lease negotiations.
    - Scheduled to be on May council agenda.

There was discussion regarding an event at the Boat and Ski Club allowing alcohol. ABC permitted alcohol; the event was not open to the public. Mr.

Peterson voiced concern that the Mission Bay Park Committee is not part of the process and wishes to be. Mr. Jones indicated that committee participation is possible within parameters. Confidentiality, non-disclosure agreements must be considered. Ms. Swink brought up issues with lease violations and questioned the timeline and intentions for the Boat and Ski Club to move to South Shores. Mr. Paul stated he visited the Boat and Ski Club and was impressed and that the boats are well kept. Ms. Fuentes recommended Law Enforcement be asked if they have concerns. Sgt. Heacox stated they had no specific comments but that there have been some officer concerns. Mr. Simmons (Boat & Ski Club Bartender) admitted to some problems but stated SDPD has not been called to respond. Mr. Prince expressed concerns regarding the Sportsman's Seafood lease.

407. Everingham Bait Barge: Buck Everingham
- Lease has been in holdover for about 12 years.
  - Request to have lease renewed
    - Maintain lowest prices.
    - 40 employees, 4 boats, 2 airplanes, 2 house barges.

Mr. Bussell suggested the lease be approved next month and requested the lease terms from READ.

### **SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT REVIEW**

None

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Phil Barlow: Spoke of his concern on the 2<sup>nd</sup> year closure of the fenced area abutting the north Fiesta Island California Least Tern nesting site (failed mitigation site).
2. Don Gross: Spoke of his concerns regarding boundary line and public access errors in the Mission Bay Park trust documents dating back to the 1950's.

### **CHAIRPERSONS REPORT**

No report at this time.

### **STAFF REPORT**

#### **Susan Gonzales, District Manager of Mission Bay Park**

- Introduced Sr. Ranger Lori Gerbac who will be taking meeting minutes.
- California Least Tern nesting season
- Starts on April 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Responded to Mr. Barlow's concern of the closure of fenced mitigation site, stating that she has shared letters from USFWS regarding the necessity, vandalism problems, and predator control traps. The closure is in the spirit of cooperation with the Federal Government.
- Beach Closures, Water Quality Results
- Received a synopsis of 2007 closures from Department of Environmental Health, no closures in February or March 08.
  - Web site for DEH documents and closure summaries:  
[http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/deh/water/beach\\_bay.html#documents](http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/deh/water/beach_bay.html#documents)

Alcohol ban

- New signs are being installed throughout Mission Bay Park.
- Modified special event permit created for corporate events, weddings to have alcohol. Five areas identified 1) North DeAnza, 2) Fiesta Island, 3) Mariners Pt., 4) Playa II, and 5) Ski Beach. Permitted groups must comply with regulations set for beer gardens, fencing and obtain necessary ABC permit.

**Sergeant Mark Heacox of the San Diego Police Department, Northern Division**

- Spoke about abandoned boats and the challenges of impounding them, the cost is not budgeted.
- There was high park visitation during Spring Break.
- A few alcohol related tickets were issued, overall Officers are gaining compliance.
- Transient population has been impacted by alcohol ban and the population has diminished.

**Sergeant Rick Strobel of the Boating Safety Unit**

- Park & Rec staff assists in transporting abandoned vessels to Fiesta Island.
- Staffing will increase in coming weeks.
- 3 Lifeguards were sent to North Carolina for marine law enforcement training.

**WORKSHOP ITEMS**

101. None

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Consent**

201. None

**Adoption**

301. None

**SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

501. Finance: Rick Bussell (Chairperson); Bill Bushe; Mort McCarthy; Jim Greene; Jeton Prince; Jarl Turner

- No report at this time.

502. Permits: Jarl Turner (Chairperson); Karl Jaedtke; Don Peterson

- Meetings are held the last Thursday of every month at the Pacific Beach Recreation Center. A meeting was held on March 27<sup>th</sup> where amplification and noise regulations were discussed, the issue is being re-examined and the committee is coming up with recommendations. The committee is getting input from Rangers, SDPD and a map of proposed areas approved for amplification: DeAnza, Mission Point, Ski Beach, Fiesta Island, Playa II. Recommendations will be made in 60-90 days. The next meeting will be at the PB Rec Center Carpet Rm., April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

503. Environment: Richard Miller (Chairperson); Monica Fuentes; Billy Paul

- No report at this time

504. Safety: Pam Glover/Mike Dukor (Co-Chairpersons); Gregg Peterson
- Attended a meeting with ZLAC, ski and wake boarders.
  - New buoyees were placed in front of ZLAC.
  - Recommend placing buoyees on east side of Sail Bay so it would provide a safe passage for rowers and high speed boats.
  - Law enforcement presence- pilot program on weekends to conduct random safety checks and staff boat ramps with volunteers.
  - Mr. Peterson will summarize committee recommendations and submit at the next meeting.

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORTS**

Chairperson - Rick Bussel

- **Lessee Hotel Representative** – Jim Greene – No report at this time
- **Council District 6 Representative** – Jarl Turner – No report at this time
- **Mission Beach Planning Board** - Pam Glover – Absent
- **Council District 2 Representative** – Karl Jaedtke - Mr. Jaedtke reported that there is a cleanup this Friday April 4<sup>th</sup> at Mission Bay High School
- **Lessee Other Than Hotel** – Mort McCarthy - Absent
- **Council District 6 Representative** – Monica Fuentes – “I Love a Clean San Diego” will be holding their annual beach cleanup on April 26<sup>th</sup>
- **Environmental Organization - Sierra Club** - Richard Miller – Earth Day Fair will be held in Balboa Park on April 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Member at Large** – Gregg Peterson – No report at this time
- **Member at Large** – Mike Duckor - Absent
- **Stakeholder OMBAC** – Don Peterson – No report at this time
- **Ocean Beach Planning Board** - Bill Bushe – No report at this time
- **Clairemont Mesa Planning Group** – Billy Paul – Oversized boat & trailer parking on streets, Friends of Rose Creek will have a cleanup project on April 26<sup>th</sup>
- **Pacific Beach Community Planning Committee** – Jeton Prince – No report at this time
- **Council District 2 Representative** – Judy Swink – Balboa Park study is being done, first public meeting regarding the governance of Balboa Park, obtaining funds for capital improvement projects, land use decisions, sdfoundation.org.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

### **Next regular meeting:**

May 6, 2008

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Respectfully submitted,

Susan Gonzales  
District Manager, Mission Bay Park