

City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY RECREATION ADVISORY GROUP
July 20, 2023

MINUTES

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:

The meeting of the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Recreation Advisory Group was held on July 20th, 2023 at 12:00 pm, at the Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center.

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERS

JoAnn Fields, Chairperson
Shaun Manning, Vice Chairperson
Thomas Van, Resident

ABSENT:

Tosh Knight, Pool Manager
Moana Alo, State Assembly 79th District Dr. Akilah Weber
Clarence Garner, Treasurer
Evelyn Smith, Resident
Henry Wallace, Chairman of The San Diego Original Black Panther Party for Community Empowerment.

STAFF:

Christian Haupt, Area Manager II
Caleb Martin, Center Director III
Robert Tamayo, Assistant Center Director
Karen Montufar-Federico, Council District 4 Representative
Chris Jones, SDPD

GUEST:

Michael Williams – Mtn. View Tennis Club
Frances Story
Cathy Ramsey
Bim Branigin

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 12:05pm by JoAnn Fields.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Tabled – No Quorum.

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NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE: N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS: N/A

GROUND UP FOUNDATION: Shaun Manning informed the group that the MLK Day committee has started planning for MLK Day 2024.

MLK DAY COMMITTEE: JoAnn Fields reported the MLK Day Committee has agreed on Saturday January 20th, 2024 for the MLK Day date.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Thomas Van reported the Senior Center Gate has been installed and is being locked/unlocked by a contractor and city staff. He inquired into locking all gates in the park at night.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT: JoAnn Fields informed the group to spread the word that the city of San Diego is hiring for Police Officers and Parks and Rec staff.

BOARDMEMBER COMMENT: Thomas Van thanked city staff for all their help with the George Stevens Senior Center.

79th ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE: N/A

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4: Karen Montufar-Federico shared the Parklet Design Community Workshop, Free Used Tire Recycling Event, SDCCE Programs, Water Rate Adjustment Meetings, and updated office meetings.

SDPD COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Officer Chris Jones reported on the low staffing levels in the department. Continue to submit “Get it Done’s” and follow up with him directly.

AREA MANAGER II: Christian Haupt reported the rims and backboards at Emerald Hills have been replaced. All water fountains have been requested to be replaced. Encanto Skatepark is in the early stages of planning. Kennedy Neighborhood Park new playground and comfort station project ground breaking will start in a month.

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CENTER DIRECTOR III: Caleb Martin reported MLK Summer Day Camp has been a great success so far and will complete a total of 9 weeks. Teen Nite has been great and will run on Friday nights through the end of Summer. We implemented a new program with Futsal league for pee-wee and 10U ages. We'll be showing "Puss in Boots" as our movie in the park on Friday August 18th.

POOL MANAGER: N/A

MOUNTAINVIEW RACQUET AND TENNIS CLUB: Mike Williams reported that the tennis club had been broken into twice in the last few weeks.

INFORMATION ITEM: None

ACTION ITEMS: None

WORKSHOP: None

ADJOURNMENT:

The next Martin Luther King Jr. Community Recreation Advisory Group Meeting will be held on Thursday September 21, 2023 at 12:00pm, in person and virtually on ZOOM.

Respectfully submitted by Caleb Martin, Center Director III

Reviewed by Christian Haupt, Area Manager II