

CITY OF SAN DIEGO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. RECREATION CENTER
COMMUNITY RECREATION GROUP

Public Notice and Agenda
Thursday November 16, 2023
12:00 pm

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:

The Martin Luther King Jr. Community Recreation Advisory Group meeting was held on November 16, 2023, at noon at MLK Recreation Center.

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERS

JoAnn Fields, Chairperson
Shaun Manning, Vice Chairperson
Thomas Van, Resident
Sally Smull, Resident
Chris Jones, SDPD

ABSENT:

Moana Alo, State Assembly 79th District Dr. Akilah Weber
Clarence Garner, Treasurer
Evelyn Smith, Resident
Joe Smith, Community Advocate (Fatherhood Alliance)
Julia Balkova – Mtn. View Tennis
Henry Wallace is Chairman of The San Diego Original Black Panther Party for Community Empowerment.

STAFF:

Christian Haupt, Area Manager II
Justin Necaise, Center Director III
Robert Tamayo, Assistant Center Director
Tosh Knight, Pool Manager
Karen Montufar-Federico, Council District 4 Representative

GUEST:

Gloria Verdieu
Cathy Ramsy
Frances Story
Korral Taylor
Mark Forte

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CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 12:09 by JoAnn Fields.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2023 MINUTES: It was moved/seconded (F. Story/ T. Van) to approve September minutes (5/0/0)

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: Gloria explained that a quilt from Malcolm X will be mounted at the library during Kwanzaa after a four-year effort. Gloria explained that the Friends of Malcolm X also hosts book sales and events for the community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Shaun explained the fourteen-year history of MLK Day to the new members and guests. JoAnn also shared that the Parks and Recreation Department posted the vendor fees online, allowing for accessible payment outside the recreation center.

GROUND UP YOUTH FOUNDATION: Shaun informed the committee of the ABA Basketball team that was formed to help young men continue their careers professionally. The ABA team is currently ranked second in the nation. Shaun also expressed the importance of educating the youth on the laws and consequences of their actions.

MLK DAY COMMITTEE: JoAnn has received several applications for the parade. The committee will not accept applications on the event day to prevent any issues with the parade lineup and the setup for the celebration. Applications can also be sent out to members if they need a copy. Robert explained his difficulties with some of the vendors but is moving forward. He currently has fifteen applications in hand. Robert is also still in the process of filling out the special event permit.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Thomas informed the group of the soft kick-off of security cameras for the seniors at the George Stevens Center. Seniors do not have the correct internet but are still figuring out the logistics.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: JoAnn explained that our Council District representative Monica Montgomery has won the election for County Board of Supervisors. Monica plans to vacate the spot-on December 5th. The first vote for the new representative will happen in March.

GEORGE STEVENS CENTER: Thomas explained that all the upcoming events are listed on the Georges Stevens Center website, FDSRC.org

SDPD CRO: N/A

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MAYORS OFFICE: Korral informed the group of the possibility of a safe parking area at the Malcolm X library. Multiple secure parking areas are available throughout the city. Currently, 216 people are being serviced. The smart street light ordinance has also passed.

AREA MANAGER II: N/A

CENTER DIRECTOR III: Robert reported on the Halloween Carnival on October 27th. It had an estimated attendance of around 450 participants. On December 16th, our annual Winter Wonderland will take place along with the Toys 4 Tots distribution drive. MLK has also ordered two new stoves and microwaves, which will be installed on arrival.

POOL MANAGER: N/A

MOUNTAINVIEW RACQUET AND TENNIS CLUB: N/A

INFORMATION ITEMS: None

ACTION ITEMS: Approval of Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center FY25 RCF and Opportunity Budget.

MOTION: It was moved/seconded (S. Manning/ F. Story) to approve the Martin Luther King. Jr. Recreation Center FY 2025 RCF Budget (5/0/0)

WORKSHOP: None

ADJOURNMENT:

· The next Community Recreation Group Meeting will be held on January 18, 2024, at noon in person at the Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center located at 6401 Skyline Dr., San Diego, CA 92114.