

CITY OF SAN DIEGO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. RECREATION CENTER

COMMUNITY RECREATION GROUP

Public Notice and Agenda

Thursday, March 21, 2024

12:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to at 12:09 pm by Thomas Van

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2024 MINUTES: It was moved/seconded (F. Story/ Cathey Ramsey) to approve minutes with the amendment of changing “turned down” to “unavailable and not rescheduled.”

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: N/A

COMMITTEE REPORTS: N/A

GROUND UP YOUTH FOUNDATION: N/A

MLK DAY COMMITTEE: Kathy wants to see a separation of roles regarding the MLK Day celebration and for the committee to come together to make decisions.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE: Thomas spoke about the new police chief and a meeting at the George Stevens Center in February. At the meeting, the public discussed the need for more interaction between the police and the community. The Skyline police chief hosts a bi-monthly meeting, and if anyone is interested in participating, contact Thomas. Thomas also spoke about the lack of lighting throughout MLK and the George Stevens Center. Christian mentioned that a ticket was sent to fix the issue but must wait for repairs.

ARTS & CULTURE COMMITTEE: Henry Wallace would like to see art related to MLK (statues, artwork, portraits) throughout the park. The committee is actively seeking someone to fulfill the role of Arts & Culture.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT: The community celebration was a resounding success, engaging all age groups with diverse activities. There was something for everyone, from arts and culture to health and wellness, vendor booths to entertainment, a sports fest to a community parade. Notably, the rain did not dampen the event, with vendors staying until about 2 p.m. and the sportsfest concluding at 4 p.m. The community parade, featuring various groups and leaders, was a highlight, and we were fortunate to have clear skies during the procession.

GEORGE STEVENS CENTER: Francis spoke at a meeting on April 4th, where the public is meeting with officials regarding reparations for the community. The George Steven Center also hosts a bridge class every Thursday at 2:30 pm.

FRIENDS OF MALCOLM X: Gloria spoke about an upcoming event at Malcolm X Library on March 23rd from 11 am to 3 pm. This book sale will support the Friends of Malcolm X.

SDPD CRO: N/A

PARKS AND RECREATION STAFF REPORT:

Area Manager: Christian mentioned the efforts to get back on track after the floods.

Center Director III: Robert discussed the upcoming volleyball and soccer seasons. The Spring Egg Hunt will be held on March 30th for the entire community to enjoy.

Pool Manager: N/A

Mtn. View Tennis Center: N/A

INFORMATION ITEMS: Regina Mills and Mike Norris are official members.

ACTION ITEMS: The CRG is looking for new nominations to fulfill the roles with the group.

WORKSHOP: None

ADJOURNMENT:

· The next Community Recreation Group Meeting will be held May 16, 2024, at noon in person at Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center is at 6401 Skyline Dr., San Diego, CA 92114