

City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department
Open Space Parks Division

Chollas Lake Park Community Recreation Group Supplementary Meeting

Minutes

June 25, 2024

Meeting Held at:

Teen Challenge Facility
5450 Lea Ave
San Diego, CA 92115

Mailing Address is:

9485 Aero Drive
MS 5D
San Diego, CA 92123

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Harley Davis (Chair)
Lynn Edwards (Treasurer)
Bettina Rausa (Corresponding Secretary)
Andy Huelskamp
Jim Simon
Daniele Laman

Members Absent

Arlette Bianconi
Larry Isom (Vice Chair)

City Staff Present

Carey Goldstein, Senior Park Ranger
Erin Holbech, Assistant Recreation Center Director
Lauren Baker, Recreation Center Director II

Guests

CAT Representatives

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Harley Davis called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS

Daniele Laman received a scam letter ostensibly from the IRS.
Bettina Rausa gave positive feedback for the nature walk she attended at Chollas. It was well attended and the rangers and intern were knowledgeable.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Play Day at the Lake 2024 – Erin Holbech and Lauren Baker
 - a. The date is June 8, 2024, and runs from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm.
 - b. We are currently having biweekly meetings for the planning of the event.
 - c. A simultaneous fishing derby was proposed; it is planned to take place 8:00 am – 1:00 pm.
 - d. The San Diego Anglers have unfortunately cancelled their participation in this event, and Star Pal has stepped in to handle the food for the kids and a lot of the Fishing Derby needs.

2. Eagle Scout Project: Road Sign at Gloria's Mesa
 - a. An Eagle Scout has reached out with a desire to replace the street sign at Gloria's Mesa.
 - b. Ranger Goldstein provided a preliminary sketch of a sign for the east entrance of the parking lot.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Juneteenth Celebration Support/Request for Volunteers
 - a. Community Actors' Theater (CAT) is requesting a closure of the parking lot at Gloria's Mesa; however, parking spaces used for purposes other than parking incurs a \$3.00 fee per parking space per day. There are 120 parking spots at Gloria's Mesa, so the fees may be a dealbreaker. An exact number of spots will be established as the map of activities develops.
 - b. Food vendors are interested in being stationed near the street in hopes of being visible from the street; however, this is not a viable option to attract people from the street.
 - c. City staff has requested more details and an updated map for a better understanding of needs for the permit for the event.
 - d. It was suggested that CAT contact the Office of Special Events for further guidance.
 - e. Rangers encouraged CAT representatives to consider keeping the playground parking space opens for the usual Saturday traffic.
 - f. No action was considered necessary, as the group has expressed support.
 - g. The group requested that CAT representatives meet with rangers and recreation staff to do a walk-through for further clarification.
 - h. The car show aspect of the event has been postponed to next year.
2. New Breezeway Structure Proposal Options:
 - a. Ranger Goldstein has been in contact with City staff who have given feedback on the replacement for the breezeway that has been removed. They said that it will not be possible to replace it with a round gazebo; other options will have to be considered.
 - b. A rectangular structure with two benches might work much better. Ranger Goldstein showed the group an image of a suggested idea for a smaller rectangular structure. This structure would be constructed by City staff and comes in a kit from Home Depot. Estimated price range may be between \$1K and \$2.5K. Group members asked for updates on a potential schedule, and expressed a desire for cedar or redwood.

MOTION: It was moved/seconded (A. Huelskamp | Lynn Edwards) to table this item until the next meeting.

The motion passed 4 | 0 | 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2024, at 6:00 pm at Teen Challenge, 5450 Lea St., San Diego, CA 92105. The Chollas Lake Park Corporation meeting will take place immediately after the CRG meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Baker, Recreation Center Director II