

**MISSION TRAILS REGIONAL PARK CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2024**

**TIME AND PLACE**

The meeting of the Mission Trails Regional Park Citizens' Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, September 3rd, 2024, at the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor and Interpretive Center.

**ATTENDANCE** Members Present

David Boyer, USMC  
Jessi Brown, City of La Mesa  
Cynthia Cornelius, Member-at-large  
Rick Gulley, City of Parks and Recreation Committee  
Ryan Hartegan, MTRP User Group (alternate)  
Rob Hutsel, Co of SD Parks and Recreation Committee  
Dorothy Leonard, Special Member  
David Lipson, SDSU  
Kevin Loomis, Chair  
Lane MacKenzie, MTRP Foundation  
Dick Murphy, Vice Chair, Special Member  
Mike Pent, Special Member  
Scott Penwell, City of El Cajon  
Marilyn Reed, Navajo Community Planners  
Kin Searcy, Scripps Ranch Civic Association  
Gary Strawn, City of Santee  
Richard Thesing, Tierrasanta Community Council

**Members Absent/Excuse**

Mickey Zeichick, San Carlos Area Council  
Glenn Farber, San Carlos Area Council

**City of San Diego**

Ed Christensen, Open Space Division District Manager, Parks and Recreation Department  
Rob Wheeler, Senior Park Ranger, Parks and Recreation Department

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:35PM by CAC Chair Kevin Loomis.

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** It was moved/seconded (Thesing/Hutsel) to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 2, 2024. The motion passed unanimously with Boyer abstaining.

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**CHAIR'S REPORT – *Kevin Loomis***

- Kirk Riley has been partnering with park rangers to crack down on electric motorcycle use at Deerfield
- Worked with the MTRP Foundation and City staff to obtain landowner information for Stowe property to determine how land parcel acquisition information

**STAFF/RANGER'S REPORT – *Rob Wheeler***

- Three new park rangers starting this month who are filling existing vacancies
- One quote has been received to complete the Oak Grove resurfacing project with additional quotes required before we can move forward per the City's bid process
- Rangers have been working to repair footbridges throughout the park including in West Fortuna and Oak Canyon
- Ranger staff have resumed weekly trail work days with long time volunteers to clear drains and repair trails on Cowles Mtn and Kwaay Paay
- Development Services Department has received the construction plans for the Bridge for Max and they have been forwarded to Parks & Rec for comment
- Bike lanes along Mission Gorge Road adjacent to the park were trimmed and cleared by work crews

**FOUNDATION REPORT - *Lane MacKenzie***

- Registration is open for the Hike-a-thon supported by Councilman Campillo's office and miles tracking will begin starting October 15<sup>th</sup> to January 15<sup>th</sup> with a goal to raise \$100k for trail maintenance and education programs
- The invasive and brush removal program will begin in a couple weeks and will continue for several months
- Field trips will begin soon with schedule pre-booked for the entire school year

**COMMUNICATIONS –**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**101.** Reallocation of \$400,000 from Mission Trails Regional Park Fund 200403 encumbered for the West Sycamore Staging Area Project to the Old Mission Dam – *Erika Ferriera, Deputy Director, Open Space Division, Parks and Recreation Dept.*

- **MOTION:** It was moved/seconded (Loomis/Murphy) to approve the reallocation. The motion passed unanimously with Boyer abstaining.

**WORKSHOP ITEMS – None**

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**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**301.** East County Advanced Water Purification project update with potential site review – *Rebecca Abbot, Engineering Manager, East County Advanced Water Purification Joint Powers Authority*

- No anticipated schedule conflicts with OMD dredging project
- Father Junipero Serra Trail will be repaved from entrance to entrance
- Estimated 14 month closure to public vehicle access from gate 1 to gate 10

**302.** Procedure change allowing public comments (3 minutes) for each information and/or action items – *Kevin Loomis*

- Procedure change would eliminate the need for public speaker forms and expand open communication opportunity

**303.** Report from MTRP CAC ad hoc subcommittee to monitor the status of land acquisition negotiations between the County of San Diego and MCAS Miramar- *Kevin Loomis*

- Miramar and County are communicating to keep this process moving forward

**304.** Multi-Use Seat Applicants Process Update – Kevin Loomis

- If there are recommendations for multi-use seat please submit requests to Kevin

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, October 29th, 2024, 6:30 PM.