

**PUBLIC NOTICE
AGENDA**

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
BALBOA PARK COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, May 1, 2025
4:00 P.M.**

**BALBOA PARK COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON AT
BALBOA PARK CLUB
SANTA FE ROOM
2150 Pan American Road West
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101**

Chair: Allison Soares

Board Members: Howard Blackson, Chris Eddy, Kathy Vandenheuvel, Makeda Cheatom, Timothy Shields, Michael Robinson, David Baron, Jake Banfield-Weir, Mandy Brown

Deputy Director: Jon Richards

Public Comment:

Each speaker must file a written request (speaker slip) at the meeting at which the speaker wishes to speak indicating which item they wish to speak on. Each speaker may speak up to three minutes, subject to the Chair's determination of the time available for meeting management purposes.

Written Comment through Webform:

In lieu of in-person attendance, members of the public may submit their comments using the [Webform](https://www.sandiego.gov/boards-and-commissions/public-comment) <https://www.sandiego.gov/boards-and-commissions/public-comment>. If using the webform, indicate the agenda item number you wish to submit a comment for. Instructions for word limitations and deadlines are noted on the webform. On the webform, members of the public should select Balboa Park Committee.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVE MINUTES FROM April 10, 2025, MEETING

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

CHAIR'S REPORT

STAFF REPORTS

City Council District 3 - Emily Bonner
Assemblymember 78th District – Michael Bravo
San Diego Police Department – A/LT. Geoff Desesari, SGT Jason Mcannally
Deputy Director - Jon Richards

BALBOA PARK NON-PROFIT PARTNER UPDATES (Time allotted to each speaker is determined by the Chair; however, comments are limited to no more than three minutes.)

Forever Balboa Park – Katy McDonald
Balboa Park Cultural Partnership - Peter Comiskey
Committee of 100 – Kevin Carpenter
Save Starlight - Steve Stopper
Village Arts & Education Foundation- Frank Casciani

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENT

REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA:

The Chair may entertain a motion by any Board member to approve any agenda item as Consent when no [webforms](#) have been submitted or there is no live (in-person) Public Comment in favor or in opposition to the item. Items approved on Consent are approved in accordance with staff's recommendation in the staff report, unless otherwise noted in the motion.

CONSENT AGENDA

None

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Item 1: San Diego Heart and Stroke Walk
Presenter: KC Ollila, Director of Events – Spectrum Sports Management, Inc.

Staff recommendation: Approve the event as presented.

Item 2: National Carousel Day 2025
Presenter: Craig Batrez, Vice President – Forever Balboa Park

Staff recommendation: Approve the event as presented.

INFORMATION AGENDA

Item 3: Diplomacy Day
Presenter: Ben Moore, Foreign Affairs Advisor – City of San Diego

Item 4: Timken Expansion Project
Presenter: Megan Pogue, Executive Director, Timken Museum

WORKSHOP AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

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