

MINUTES

City of San Diego Boards and Commissions Parks and Recreation Department MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE

April 1, 2025

Meeting Location

Santa Clara Recreation Center
1008 Santa Clara Place
San Diego, CA 92109

Mailing Address:

Balboa Park
Administration Building
2125 Park Boulevard
San Diego, CA 92101

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Cindy Adams
Jim Gross
Jeff Johnson
Cathie Jolley
Judith Munoz
Julie Roland

Members Absent

Bernadette Butkiewicz
Chuck Dunning
Giovanni Ingolia
Ryan Karlsgodt
Steve Pinard

City Staff Present

Cris Amezcua
Ryan Barbrick
Cambria Head
Mayra Medel
Carrie Munson

Guests

Philip Musegaas

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson, Jeff Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – March 4, 2025

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Adams and seconded by J. Roland to approve the March 4, 2025 Mission Bay Park Committee meeting minutes as written. The motion carried 5-0 with 1 abstentions (J. Munoz)

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

Andrew Meyer with SD Bird Alliance announced that the preserve will closed April 15th to September 15th. Currently the habitat is sandy and good for nesting. The fencing at Mariner's Point needs repair. Andrew provided the bird breeding report and stated that Elegant Terns continue to occupy West Ski Island and there needs to be more protections for birds at the Island

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – Jeff Johnson

Chairperson Johnson commented on the revised P&R fees & charges that will have impacts on special events and youth sports leagues

CITY COUNCIL OFFICES

Council District 1 – Cambria Head with CD1 announce MB Drive is complete, new resident trash fees are being discussed, Fanuel St. Park play structure is being reviewed by CA Coastal Commission and Councilmember LaCava is working with residents to fund a storage for plastic play toys

Council District 2 – Carrie Munson shared information regarding the ADU program, FY26 City Budget is up for review and will go to City Council for approval in June. The public will have opportunities to provide input in May. The City is looking at a \$258M budget deficit and there will be cuts to Parks and Libraries

STAFF REPORTS

San Diego Lifeguard Service – Lifeguards are preparing for the remainder of the Spring and Summer with staffing increases

San Diego Police Department – no report

Parks and Recreation

Cris Amezcua reported that he accepted a position as District Manager with Community Park I Division, after 20 plus years with Mission Bay Park. He will oversee maintenance operations for community parks in the coastal and inland communities. His promotion takes effect April 7th. Crew Classic event has concluded with a good turnout. On-going park projects include North Cove, Sunset Point, Hospitality Point Ventura Cove and El Carmel restroom replacements. Crown Point Improvement will start soon and Sunset Point parking lot has re-opened

ACTION ITEMS

Consent (These items are adopted without discussion; they can be moved to adoption by any committee member)

101. none

Adoption (Each adoption item requires individual action; they can be moved to consent by action of the committee)

201. none

Special Events (Special Events that require road or plaza closures or will potentially impact park and/or institution operation, are brought to the Committee for a formal recommendation. They can be moved to Consent by action of the Committee.

301. none

INFORMATION ITEMS

401. Mission Bay Water Quality Report

Philip Musegaas, Executive Director, San Diego Coastkeeper provided a water quality advocacy report. The report shows a high level of stormwater runoff which brings bacteria into waterways. Additional testing will occur in April with Mission Bay being tested every two years. High level of bacteria can come from poop (animals and humans), perhaps from leaking pipes?

Jeff commented about South Shores and asked how different wastes are determined

Bernadette asked how the water report testing is funded and how can MBPC help

Andrew Myers stated that over 16,000 birds added to the Mission Bay bird population last year

WORKSHOP ITEMS (No actions taken; discussed by the committee and staff)

501. Illegal RV/camper habitation in Mission Bay Park – continue to use the GetItDone app to report illegal nighttime parking and RV habitation

SUBCOMMITTEE

601. none

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Judith reminded everyone that the SD Humane Society has the animal control contract with the City of San Diego

Julie commented on the PB Town Council meeting on May 10th

ADJOURNMENT – Chairperson, J. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: Next regular meeting will be held on May 6, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

Cris Amezcua

“Acting” District Manager, Mission Bay Park