

MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
PARADISE HILLS/PENN COMMUNITY RECREATION GROUP
Bay Terraces Community & Senior Center
7445 Tooma Street, San Diego, CA 92139
(619) 527-7632

Thursday, March 6, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Don Houston, Chairperson Sal Morales, AYSO John Mooney, Vice Chairperson Guy Preuss, Member Wayne English, Member Muriel King, Bay Terraces Pollinator Garden	City Staff: Ron Agustin, Area Manager Rea’Jah Wright, Assistant Center Director Paradise Hills Kemii Soundara, Center Director I Bay Terraces Langston Grant, OCA Penn Athletic Field <i>Absent</i> Dominic Marostica, Skyline Hills Library, <i>Absent</i> Chris Jones, San Diego Police Officer Anna Phounsavath, Council District 4 Representative Shannon Scoggins, City of San Diego Representative
MEMBERS ABSENT: Dolores Hawkins Eddie Enriquez Margert Glenn Pureza Ransome Joy Vicente Aida Mooney	COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS: Jim Holloway

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by chairperson Don Houston.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Don Houston reported corrections needed to be made for the chairperson’s report, “Instead of special event permit it was a special use permit.” February 2025 minutes approved by unanimous vote with corrections. Motion was approved unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS (*limited to items not on the agenda. Each one will be limited to five (5) minutes and is not debatable*). Requested by Jim Holloway to add to the agenda, dog use at Zamorano joint use field. Sal Morales Motion for approval, seconded by Wayne English 3-0-0.

Jim is also concerned about the abundant amount of alcohol bottle caps left behind and lack of parking from the Sunday Adult Soccer League.

REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT—Chairperson Don Houston requested to be included in the email chain for minutes and agenda email blast. Don would also like to have the Recreation Centers print and post minutes and agenda from the Skyline Hills/Paradise Hills Planning Committee. He attended the tree forum and was disappointed because of the limitations regarding planting locations. April 25, 2025 at Colina Recreation Center is were Arbor Day will occur.

ORGANIZATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Paradise Hills/Skyline Planning Committee** – Guy Preuss reported that next Tuesday, March 18th there will be an election for the Planning Committee, and they are looking for members.
2. **AYSO**—Sal Morales reported that spring season has started and that there are potholes on woodman that need to be repaired.
3. **Paradise Gardeners** – Don Houston reported that there is going to be a tomato planting workshop at the Skyline Hills Library on the next Paradise Gardens meeting.
4. **Council District 4** – Anna Phounsavath reported on the fiscal year deficit and provided opportunity for the community to sit in on the budgeting process. There will be a Joint Use field at the Paradise Hills Elementary school which is currently in the planning process and should open in the spring of 2026. If the community is interested in a curbside dumpster for larger trash, please reach out to Council member collectively as a community. Office hours Fridays at the southeast division office. She encourages all concerns regarding city maintenance or enhancements to go through Get It Done application.

PARKS AND RECREATION STAFF REPORTS

1. **Paradise Hills and Skyline Hills Area**—Ron Agustin reported led lights for Penn Athletic Field have been purchase and the boom lift has been reserved. Right now, he is just coordinating field time to be able to get the lights repaired. Which will potentially be July or August due to the school contract. Parkside swing set has been vandalized so it is currently out of commission. Alma Avila is currently the OCA Area Manager in the Encanto/Martin Luther King Jr. area. Gabe recently retired and there are 2 Ground Maintenance Worker vacancy in the area.
2. **Paradise Hills Recreation Center**— Rea'jah Wright reported that Paradise Hills basketball team for all divisions peewees, 10u, and 12u made it to City Wide playoffs happening on Saturday March 15, 2025. Paradise Hills Cheer team will also be performing at the basketball play off games. Summer registration will be starting May 17th, and this includes summer camp.
3. **Penn Athletic Field**— Kemii Soundara reported that Penn Athletic Field will be hosting a 16U volleyball team and a 12U soccer team this spring season. They are also offering youth baking/cooking class on Fridays. Lastly, they will be collaborating with Bay Terraces for the Annual Spring Event which will occur on April 5th starting at 9:00am free community event.
4. **Bay Terraces Community & Senior Center** – Kemii Soundara reported that there are currently 2 field trips available for the seniors to sign up for March 18th to the Japanese Friendship Garden which is a \$10/person charge including admissions, transportation and lunch and April 25th to the Carlsbad flower fields which will be \$20/person.

INFORMATION ITEMS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ACTION ITEMS

- Program Manager, Shannon Scoggins: Paradise Hills Community Park Trail, CIP S24,013 (Tabled)

WORKSHOP ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Don Houston adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regular Paradise Hills/Penn Community Recreation Group meeting will be held at Bay Terraces Community & Senior Center at 7445 Tooma Street, San Diego, 92139, on April 3, 2025.

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Submitted by:
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Reviewed by:
Ron Agustin, Area Manager II