

**Neal Petties Mountain View Community Recreation Group
MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 6:00 pm

CITY OF SAN DIEGO

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Meeting Address

Neal Petties Mountain View Community Center
641 South Boundary Street
San Diego, CA 92113

ATTENDANCE:

CRG Members

Raschelle Bednarski, Member
Lanell Brown, Member
Jeffrey Hayes, Vice Chair
Dwayne Hill, Member
Cybele Thompson, Recording Secretary

Guests

Randy Bates
Brian Goodin

Elected Staff

Ronnie Miller, Community Representative, Office of City Council District 4

City Staff

Jonathan Aranda, Assistant Center Director
Jose Renteria Rodriguez, Center Director
Carlos Rios, Area Manager

CRG Members Absent - Excused

Howard Cuarezma, Member
Glenda Gates, Chair
Lucero Cuarezma Samano, Member

CRG Members Absent - Unexcused

Rena Brown, Member
Dan Falconer, Member
Janet Lee, Member

Kim Phillips-Pea, Member
Imani Robinson, Member
Maurice Sweet, Member
Henry Lee Wallace, Member

Call to Order

Vice Chair Jeffrey Hayes called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm.

Reports

OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER HENRY FOSTER, DISTRICT 4

Ronnie Miller – ronniem@sandiego.gov

- This Saturday is I Love a Clean San Diego cleanup at Chollas Lake and Valencia Park at 9 am.
- Passed around QR code for budget input
- Reviewed budget wins – completed 4,015 Get It Done reports
- Reported that 117,000 military members locally are furloughed.
- Reported that council delayed decision on increasing water and sewer rates until 10/28/25
- Acknowledged that many RVs are parking in D4
- Reported that parking rates had been increased by City Council

PARKS & RECREATION

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- Neal Petties metal signs are in and have been posted around the park.
- Halloween event on 10/25 from 10:30 am to 1 pm
- Halloween event at teen center on 10/25 from 5:30-7:30 pm
- Just finished 2nd week of volleyball and first week of flag football in conjunction with Baker Elementary kids
- Toys for Tots signup is 10/13-11/10/25
- P&R has ordered a new park monument sign to include new park name and installation date needs to be confirmed
- Encouraged CRG members to complete online parks recreation needs assessment by 2/28/26 – there will also be 9 town hall meetings and 8 virtual meetings to solicit community input
- “Coco” is movie at Mt Hope Cemetery on 10/18 at 5:30 pm
- Mountain View is hiring an additional Assistant Rec Center Director to cover old rec center when it is opened

Action Items

- Motion by Raschelle Bednarski, second by Lanell Brown, to approve Neal Petties Mountain View CRG minutes from September 17, 2025.
Vote: 5 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN

New Business Items

- The only attending member of the appointed Nominating Committee comprised of Raschelle Bednarski, Rena Brown, and Lucero Cuarezma Samano, was Raschelle Bednarski who advised no one had approached her to run for a CRG officer position. Glenda Gates advised Jeffrey and Cybele that she would not run for CRG chair again in 2026. Jeffrey Hayes advised he was interested in running for Chair and Rena Brown was interested in running for Vice Chair. Cybele Thompson advised she was interested in running for Recording Secretary again, but reminded the CRG that the bylaws state “Elected officers shall not serve more than two consecutive years in the same office unless, at the time elections are held, there are no other candidates to run for a specific elected office and the previous elected officer wishes to serve again.” Thus, if any other CRG member wishes to run for any officer position, and especially Recording Secretary, they should advise the Nominating Committee or an officer of their interest in advance of the next CRG meeting on 11/19/25. A CRG member may run for an officer position in November, even if they are not present at the November CRG meeting, so long as they have advised the CRG in advance they want to run for that position and are willing to accept it if elected. Cybele Thompson advised that Lucero Cuarezma Samano said she may be interested in running for an officer position, but had not yet confirmed and needs to prior to the November CRG meeting since she cannot attend that meeting. Also, any CRG member can state their intention to run for an office at the November CRG meeting, so long as they are present.
- In light of Imani Robinson’s email to the CRG, dated 10/13/25, in which she stated “I will no longer attend or report to the Neal Petties Mountain View Community Recreation Group”, the CRG consensus was to drop the \$2,300 Resident Leadership Academy Project Stipend Award issue from future CRG agendas and that the CRG had received as much information related to this matter from Imani Robinson as they were likely to receive.
- Brian Goodin presented 2 mural renderings featuring multiple local athletes. Since this was Brian’s 3rd attended CRG meeting within a 6 month period, he was eligible to become a CRG member and accepted. Brian advised that the source of funding for these murals was not yet defined and that he realizes Christine Jones from Arts & Culture advised that her commission needs to review and approve, but will support Brian’s team to get through the approval

process. Brian advised he is assembling a mural kit, including complete renderings, and will return to the CRG to present the final mural kit when a source of funding has been confirmed.

- Cybele Thompson recapped last month's visit from Christine Jones from the City of San Diego's Arts & Culture Commission who presented an update on the Black Family Statue. She advised that a contract is in place with ECC and that site improvements will be added around the statue to create a gathering place. The grass will be replaced with DG and ADA improvements added. The statue and improvements are now estimated to be completed in 2026 and the CRG asked if this could be done by Labor Day 2026. Christine advised she would return to the November 2025 CRG meeting with a further update.
- Cybele Thompson advised she cannot attend the next CRG meeting on November 19th to take minutes and Raschelle Bednarski volunteered to take minutes in November.
- 1. Agenda items for next meeting- **Action Items**: Approve minutes for 10/15/25, approve proposed 2026 CRG meeting dates and Nominating Committee (Raschelle Bednarski, Rena Brown, and Lucero Cuarezma Samano) to present slate of proposed officers for annual election to select Chair, Vice Chair and Recording Secretary for 2026. So far, following candidates have volunteered to run for office: Jeffrey Hayes for Chair, Rena Brown for Vice Chair and Cybele Thompson for Recording Secretary.
- 1. **New Business**: None

Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Chair Jeffrey Hayes adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING -

Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 6:00 pm

Submitted by Cybele L. Thompson, RPA, FMA, CCIM, LEED AP, Recording Secretary

THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALTERNATE FORMATS UPON REQUEST.
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