

**City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department
Mira Mesa Community Recreation Group
Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2026
7:00pm
Lopez Ridge Recreation Center
7245 Calle Cristobal
San Diego, CA 92126**

Attendance

At-Large Members	Present	Absent
Frichtel, Joe: Chairperson	X	
Goonan, Greg: Vice chair		X
Hamilton, Fay	X	
Jackson, Craig		X
Nover, Lillith		X
Treasurer		X
Stevens, Jeff		X
Youth Organization Members		
Legends San Diego		X
Mira Mesa Girls Softball (Cassie Cushman)	X	
Mira Mesa Little League	x	
Mira Mesa Soccer-AYSO (Derek Church)	X	
Mira Mesa Pop Warner (DecJae Silvershe)	X	
Adult Organization Members		
Mira Mesa Town Council		X
San Diego Cricket Association ()		X
Mira Mesa Pickleball (Andreas Gillmeier)	X	
City Staff		
Claudia Apodaca	X	
Marcia McDowell, Lopez Ridge Recreation Center	X	
Derrick Monroe: Center Director III, GJ	X	
Ana Serrano: City Council District 6 Representative	X	
Daniel Dorantes, Ned Baumer Aquatics Center	X	
Guests		
Krista Clemen	X	
Mira Mesa Youth Baseball (Drew A)	X	
Peter Baker	X	
Michelle Tuscanc		
Frida Zavala		
Bernard Aborts		
Kevin Yu	X	

CALL TO ORDER:

- Mr. Frichtel called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- Chairperson Frichtel. Motion to approve minutes Fay Hamilton seconded by Kevin Yu.

Discussion Item:

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Community Recreation Group Board on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Board. Limited to items not on the agenda and three minutes.

- None

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 public comments have been submitted in favor or in opposition to the item. Items approved on consent are approved in accordance with staff's recommendation as reflected on the agenda and described in the Staff Report to Mira Mesa Community Recreation Group, unless otherwise noted in the motion.

- None

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE:

- None

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

- May 21, 3 Roots groundbreaking on Carrol Canyon Road and Camino Santa Fe. Starts 10:30am. Honor Bruce Brown, park name Bruce Brown Community Park
- City Council voted down on trash fee and it will now go to court. Money collected to pick up trash might be refunded
- Mayor is proposing shutting down some recreation centers and libraries and cutting down hours.
- Next Town Hall on May 19th at University City, need everyone to attend

Hourglass Joint Use Field Committee

- Meeting in April. Discussed, trip hazards, putting cameras in snack bars, swimming pool repairs
- The May Joint Use Meeting is cancelled so staff can attend groundbreaking

Community Parks I Area Committee

- Meeting on May 6, there were 27 logged in, got up to 50, 35 at 8pm. Information on ActiveNet, Get It Done, Come Play Outside. Workshop objective was to get more people involved
- Joe recommended Mayor and Council take a 25% pay cut until budget is resolved

Mira Mesa Park Phase 2-3 Expansion Committee

- The park is 78% completed. Still haven't finished swimming pool but the rest is going well. Estimated to open this summer

- Salk Park is 96% done. Project started on November 16, 2019

BOARDMEMBER COMMENT:

- None

Council District 6 Report:

Council Representative Isabel Serrano:

- Budget Town Hall was last week
- Next meeting May 19, 6:30pm at University City of San Diego
- Will share what budget process looks like and where money is allocated. Town Hall is specifically for constituents
- Will be joining Bruce Brown Memorial Park event May 21st
- The resolution of changing the language Parks and Recreation. Already working on expanding the language
- Mad for Maddox. No maintenance assessment district for Maddox Park. There is potential for establishing one
- Waiting for open space behind the dog park. Playground is open, dog park next, then joint use
- Kent Lee will be at Bruce Brown celebration
- Tomorrow is revision of Mayors budget. Monday, May 18th is next public input meeting.
- Bella Kalivas introduced, she will be the new representative for Mira Mesa. One year with City. She graduated from SDSU with bachelor degrees in Political Science, Sociology and Criminal Justice. Previously supported communities of Scripps Ranch and Sorrento Valley

PARKS AND RECREATION STAFF REPORT:

Area Manager Report: Claudia Apodaca, Mira Mesa Community

- A lot issues with homeless Mira Mesa area, especially around Little League Fields comfort stations, Senior Center. Submitted reports to Get It Done.

OCA Center Director Report Marcia McDowell Lopez Ridge Neighborhood Park

- Movie in the park June 27, 2026, event will be having vendors
- Summer registration starts on Saturday at 10:00am
- This is Marcia's last week at Lopez Ridge, Anahi Felix will be taking over

Center Director Report: Derrick Monroe, Hourglass Field Community Park

- The Summer brochure is out with registration starting Saturday
- Hourglass is halfway through the season for youth volleyball league
- Reported some lights are out on fields 1 and 2 Hourglass

Pool Manager Report: Daniel Dorante, Ned Baumer Aquatics Center

- Summer activities start June 1, 2026
- Swim lessons on Saturday, best to register online
- Summer will be 1:00pm-6:00pm for the community Monday through Thursday
- Just finished swimming lessons for 300 elementary kids, high school season is done

Community Group Reports

Mira Mesa Little League:

- Playoffs have started, season ends on June 6, 2026
- Problems still issue with homeless as mentioned earlier
- Championship teams will practice through June 2026

Mira Mesa AYSO:

- Spring season finished this past weekend. Now preparing for Top Gun Tournament on Memorial Day Weekend. One Hundred twenty teams from California will be coming
- Inquire about maintenance plans for Wagenheim this summer

San Diego Crickett Assoc:

No report

Mira Mesa Girls Softball:

- Spring season just ended, start of all-star season
- Tournament first week of June
- Everything is going well other than the lights

PickleBall:

- Any plans for signage for usage between pickleball and basketball
- Suggest Rules for usage before opening
- Check out nets from Rec Center
- Leave driver's license to check out equipment

Mira Mesa Pop Warner Football

- Requesting permit for Mira Mesa Rec Center fields once it opens
- Season runs from July to November 4-5 days per week

Mira Mesa Youth (Pony) Baseball

- Discussion on Mira Mesa youth baseball and Little League. Two types of baseball played
- Pony play MLB rules
- Field use discussion. Requesting Camino Ruiz
- Request to review CRG By-Laws

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

INFORMATION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS:

WORKSHOP:

ADJOURNMENT: Chairperson Joe Frichtel, at 8:03pm

Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 7:00pm
Meeting will take place at the Lopez Ridge Recreation Center.

