

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

Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 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
Rena Brown, Vice Chair
Howard Cuarezma, Member
Lucero Cuarezma-Samano, Member
Brian Goodin, Member
Jeffrey Hayes, Chair
Dwayne Hill, Member
Janet Lee, Member
Kim Phillips-Pea, Member
Henry Lee Wallace, Member

Guests

Laila Aziz
Don Falconer
Mars Herring
Maisha Landers
Maurice Sweet
Jahniesha Pratt

Elected Staff

Henry L. Foster III, Council Member
Tiffany Harrison, Director of Policy, Office of City Council District 4
Rachel Laing, Executive Director, Arts & Culture Commission
Caleb Martin, Area Manager, Parks & Recreation Department
Ronnie Miller, Community Representative, Office of City Council District 4
Christian Rivera, Assistant Center Director, Parks & Recreation Department

Robin Todd, Field Representative, Assembly District 79

CRG Members Absent - Excused

Cybele Thompson, Recording Secretary

CRG Members Absent - Unexcused

Jayvlon Burke, Member

Call to Order

Chair Jeffrey Hayes called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Reports

OFFICE OF ASSEMBLYMEMBER DR. LASHAE SHARP-COLLINS, DISTRICT 79

Robin Todd – robin.todd@asm.ca.gov

- Bill package for 2026

OFFICE OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER HENRY FOSTER, DISTRICT 4

Ronnie Miller – ronniem@sandiego.gov

- Handed out flyer 4/16 event for recycling
- 4/18/26 Paradise Hills Native Garden Opening 11 AM
- 4/24 Arbor Day, Tree planting at Gompers Park, 9-11 AM
- 4/25 I love a Clean San Diego, 9-12 PM
- 5/2 Jacki Robinson YMCA Swimathon Pool Party
- Still taking resident feedback on budget priorities

PARKS & RECREATION

Caleb Martin - martincj@sandiego.gov, Jose Renteria Rodriguez -

jireneria@sandiego.gov and Christian Rivera, cjrivera@sandiego.gov

- New Neal Petties monument sign is installed and public unveiling scheduled for Saturday, September 19, 2026, to celebrate Neal Petties' birthday on September 16th when his family will be in town.
- Hosting a drone event at Balboa Park Activity Center this Monday and Tuesday, West Regional Championship, participants coming from all over the US
- Submit graffiti through the Get It Done App
- Spring egg hunt on 3/28, 200 people in attendance
- Soccer starting this week U14, and U12, U10, and Peewee starting next week
- U17 volleyball league this year wed night
- Registration for summer camp is open
- Summer program flyers will be available by the end of the month

SOUTHEASTERN PLANNING GROUP

Howard Cuarezma – hjcuarezma@gmail.com

- District 9
 - 4/7 San Diego City Council unanimously passed the Due Process and Safety Ordinance
 - Increase in graffiti – contact Roberto Marin to find private/public properties for murals
 - The city is holding a budget meeting on 5/4 at 6 PM, available virtually
 - Dennis V Allen Park Proposal is moving forward, will include a gym, and playground
- Informational Items
 - Financial assistance for the annual solid waste fees, apply through MAAC Project website
- Action Item – New Officers
 - Jasmine Mullen, Chair
 - Howard Cuarezma, Secretary
- Updates
 - In March 2026 the city approved construction changes for new bus stops on Ocean View Blvd. The next step is for the city to approve traffic plans, aiming for mid-summer for completion of the bus stops.
 - City filed a lawsuit against burned building on 3649 Ocean View Blvd. ongoing public nuisance

Action Items

- Unveiling of the Neal Petties Mountain View Park monument sign which is now in place – discussion was made to do unveiling on September 19
Motion by Rena Brown, second by Brian Goodin, to unveil the Neal Petties Mountain View Sign on Sep 19
Vote: 11 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN
- Mountain View CRG minutes from March 18, 2026.
Motion by Rachel Bednarski, second by Howard Cuarezma, to approve minutes from March 18, 2026
Vote: 11 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN

New Business Items

- Rachel Laing from the Arts & Culture Commission presented an update on the Black Family Statue, statue is completed. Family has agreed to do unveiling on Saturday, June 13, 2026. Time will be 11 - 2 PM. Invitation for Dr. Akhila Weber, Council Member Henry Foster III, Dr. LaShae Sharp-Collins, and

Monica Montgomery Steppe to speak. Rachel has agreed to take the lead in sending out invitations to them. Caleb will get flyer ready. Event will include food vendors, petting zoo, and crafts. Holder for statue has been ordered, landscaping for the statue has been ordered. Landscaping might be done after unveiling. Cybele will reach out to Makeda Cheatom to be present on June 13th. Individual Artist Fellowship – grants for artist \$5K-\$15K, deadline 4/30, will not be affected by the new budget proposal from the mayor. Artist count – unrestricted funding for artist in San Diego County and Tijuana is still going forward. All public art projects: Encanto, black statue, and murals are still moving forward. Rec Center Murals will start late this year and will still move forward.

- Kim Phillips-Pea provided a fence art update that the cups are in and funding is arranged. Fence art will read “Neal Petties Community Park” in red, black and green. Kim provided a date of Saturday, April 25th at 10 am when community is invited to participate in the cup installation. There will be a Fish Fry Fundraiser happening that day. Caleb will create a flyer.
- Kim Phillips-Pea also provided an update on the mural at the wall of Dan Falconer’s house. Artists are working on the project and hiring other artists, as well as picking up supplies from LA. So far, for the mural \$770 has been raised, total cost is \$3,500. Looking for installation on May 2. Kim is inviting the public to buy a brick as a \$100 donation for the project, your name or the name of the organization will go on the brick. Kim asked the CRG for suggestions on the mural art.
- Brian Goodin provided an update on the rec center mural, mural kit by the Arts & Culture Commission received. Final remission of what is going to look like is needed. We have a total of 50 faces, will probably add 5 or 6. Mr. Gooding will purchase insurance for the artist. He will be working on the funding; there was an event at Calvary Baptist Church and there were about 40 professional athletes, Mr. Gooding was able to address athletes about donating to the mural project. My Gooding is working with DMG, (organization that raises money) to get donors for the mural, Sherwin-Williams is donating paint and materials. Mr. Goodin stated that Sherwin-Williams would like the opportunity to help with a building in the Mountain View community that needs restoring. Sherwin-Williams will send their painters to help with the project.
- Agenda items for next meeting- **Action Items**: Approve minutes for 4/15/26. **New Business Items**: Rec Center mural update from Brian Goodin and fence art update and Dan Falconer’s wall mural update from Kim Phillips-Pea

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Jeffrey Hayes adjourned the meeting at 7:19 pm.

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING -

Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 6:00 pm

Submitted by Lucero Cuarezma-Samano, CRG Member, covering for Cybele Thompson, Recording Secretary.

THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALTERNATE FORMATS UPON REQUEST.

PLEASE CONTACT:

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