

City of San Diego  
Parks and Recreation Department  
San Ysidro Community Recreation Group  
Meeting Minutes  
**Monday, April 13, 2026**

**“WE ENRICH LIVES THROUGH QUALITY PARKS AND PROGRAMS”**

**Meeting Held at:**

San Ysidro Senior Center  
125 E. Park Ave.  
San Ysidro, CA 92173

**Mailing Address is:**

125 E. Park Ave.  
San Ysidro, CA 92173

**Members Present:**

Consuelo Delgadillo  
Placido Villarreal  
Juan Lopez  
Rosa Ruesga  
Martin Ortega

**City Staff:**

Robert Lara, Area Manager OCA  
Mari Jo Ricanor, Recreation Center Director  
Susana Torrez, Recreation Center Director  
Jonathan Rascon, Vista Terrace Pool Manager  
Carlos Edington, San Diego Police CRO

**Members Absent:**

Ricky Duran  
Felipe Muro  
David Guerrero

**Guests:**

Lilianna Barba, District 80 Field Representative  
Manuelle Lopez

**CALL TO ORDER:**

CRG Vice Chairperson Rosa Ruesga called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Introductions were made around the table for those in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MARCH 9, 2026 MINUTES:**

- **MOTION:** It was moved /seconded (J. Lopez/P. Villarreal) to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstention.

**FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP:**

None

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE:**

None

**COMMUNICATIONS:** (Limited to items not on the agenda. Each one will be limited to three minutes and is not debatable)

None

**CITY OF SAN DIEGO MAYOR’S REPORT:**

None

**COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORT:**

Rodrigo Morales reported the following:

- Leftover CPS funding was distributed to San Ysidro Senior Center and San Ysidro Public Library. Both received \$1,000 each of funding from CD8.
- ‘Dumpster drop off’ event will take place on April 25 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at 4590 Border Village Road, San Ysidro 92173.
- ‘Day of the Child’ event will be held at Montgomery Waller Park on April 26 starting at 10:00 a.m.

### **ASSEMBLYMEMBER DISTRICT 80 REPORT:**

Lilianna Barba reported the following:

- AB 1994 passed out of the Assembly Committee on Public Safety and is now headed to the Assembly Committee on Appropriations for further consideration.
- Please contact Assembly office at (619) 498-8580 for any state related issues or visit the website at <https://a80.asmdc.org/>.

### **SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT:**

Community Relations Officer Carlos Edington reported the following:

- Distributed flyers containing information from Casa Familiar organization and Community Youth Services.

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

None

### **BUDGET TO ACTUALS REPORT:**

- Susana Torrez reported to everyone most recent financial RCF Budget to Actuals report.
- Mari Jo Ricanor reported an email will be sent to every one of the most recent financial RCF Budget to Actuals report.

### **BOARDMEMBER COMMENT:**

None

### **SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:**

Placido Villarreal reported for Atlante FC that the Spring League is currently ongoing with 48 teams ages 6 to 14 years old. Older age division teams will start soon.

### **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:**

- Consuelo of Hearts and Hands announced to everyone that the Free monthly food distribution locations:
  - Our Lady of Monte Carmelo Church, walk up distribution, every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 6:00a.m.-12:00 p.m. Address is 2020 Alaquinas Drive, San Ysidro, 92173.  
Group is still looking for another location to move from Our Lady of Monte Carmelo Church.
  - Las Americas Premium Outlets, Drive-thru distribution, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, 6:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Address is 4211 Camino De La Plaza, San Ysidro, 92173

### **PARKS & RECREATION STAFF REPORT:**

Area Manager OCA Robert Lara reported the following:

- Area Manager Francisco officially retired after working 42 years with the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department. His last assignment was overseeing the San Ysidro Community parks, facilities and maintenance. Robert will cover the Area Manager position as an out of class assignment capacity.
- Youth soccer and volleyball programs are currently ongoing. San Ysidro Community Park staff are coaching 2-Pee Wee teams, 2-12u teams, 1-14u teams, and 1-17u volleyball team.
- San Ysidro Senior Center will be hosting the voting polls. Ballot drop-off will be available May 23 to June 2. No Senior activities will be held during those dates.
- Robert is currently visiting San Ysidro area parks conducting playground inspections and storm drain inspections.
- San Ysidro Community Activity Center construction update: As of April 13, contractors are repairing a sewer main issue. Tentative opening will be July 2026.
- Thanked everyone present at the meeting for attending and serving the San Ysidro community. It was a pleasure working with everyone.

Pool Manager Jonathan Rascon reported the following for Vista Terrace Pool:

- Pool will have a reduction of hours of operation. Due to limited pool hours, pool programming will also be reduced. Water Fitness and Water Polo classes will have the biggest impact of reduction.
- Pool hours have extended. Please see City of SD Pool website for more information on hours and programming.
- Swimming lessons for youth are ongoing.
- Parent-Tot swimming classes are ongoing.

- Reminded everyone of the ‘June Bloom’ summer kick-off event on June 7.

Recreation Center Director Mari Jo Ricanor reported the following for Cesar Chavez Community Center:

- On March 18, Parks and Recreation removed the name Cesar Chavez from all amenities within parks and facilities. The name has been replaced with San Ysidro Larsen Field Community Center.
- Spring Egg Hunt took place on Saturday April 4 at 10:00 a.m. over 120 people attended the event.
- Free Afterschool meals given to youth remain ongoing Monday-Friday starting at 2:30 p.m. until food is gone.
- Staff are currently recruiting and coaching youth in soccer and volleyball. League play will start in Mid-April.
- Larsen Field was selected to receive building and athletic fields lighting upgrade. Project to replace existing lighting to LED will start in May and will take approximately one month to complete.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. FY27 Recreation Center Fund Budget Edits

a. San Ysidro Community Activity Center and San Ysidro Larsen Field Community Center

- Robert reported changes to SYCAC budget by adding gym floor refinishing to the budget.
- Mari Jo reported changes to the SYLF budget by transferring vendor budget and bus transportation to recreation expenses.
- Both recreation sites did not remove or add additional funding.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

None

**WORKSHOP ITEMS:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Martin Ortega adjourned the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Monday May 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

San Ysidro Senior Center

125 East Park Avenue, San Ysidro, CA 92173

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Submitted By:

Reviewed By:

Approved by:

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Recreation Center Director

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Robert Lara  
Area Manager OCA

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Martin Ortega  
Chairperson