

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, September 3rd, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS' PRESENT:	CITY STAFF:
Don Houston, Chairperson John Mooney, Vice Chairperson Guy Preuss, Member Wayne English, Member Sal Morales, AYSO	Jordan Oden, Center Director I Bay Terraces Community & Senior Center Denisse Figueroa, Center Director I Penn Athletic Field Langston Grant, Recreation Leader II Penn Athletic Field Alondra Guerrero, Assistant Center Director Ron Agustin, Area Manager II Dominic Marostica, Library Manager Paradise Hills Library Aaron Jurell Sarmiento, District 4 Rep.
MEMBERS ABSENT:	COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS:
Dolores Hawkins Eddie Enriquez Margert Glenn Pureza Ransome Joy Vicente Aida Mooney Jason Rogers, Library Manager Skyline Hills Library	Robin Todd, Assembly 79 th District Rep. Kevin Brown, Skyline Youth Football

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Don Houston at 6:02pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John motioned, Guy second. Pass unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS (limited to items *not* on the agenda. Each one will be limited to five (5) minutes and is not debatable).

None

REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA

None

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

- Mr. Houston attended the I Love My Park Day event at South Bay Rec on May 23rd where he met Andy Field, Parks and Recreation Director, and Kim Mathis of the San Diego Parks Foundation.

- He was able to view the approximately 20 newly planted Jacarandas on Potomac.

ORGANIZATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **City Council District 4** – No report
2. **San Diego Police/Community Relations Officer** – No Report
3. **Assembly Member District 79th Member Representative**
 - Presented a list of Bills that the senator signed
4. **Skyline/Paradise Hills Community Planning Group** – No Report
5. **AYSO**
 - Season started in August.
 - AYSO also started with 600,000 participants worldwide. Attendance went from 400,000 to 325,000.
6. **Paradise Gardeners** – No Report
7. **Bay Terraces Pollinator Garden** – No Report
8. **Skyline Hills Library**
 - Summer reading program was successful
 - Homework program starting
 - STEM workshop for teens in September
 - Celebrating 10-year anniversary on Oct 10th
9. **Paradise Hills Library**
 - Summer reading program just ended
 - Received a grant for sewing machines, sewing class scheduled for 9/15
 - Two 3D printers donated to the library
 - Butterfly release scheduled for the end of the month

PARKS AND RECREATION STAFF REPORTS

1. **Paradise Hills and Skyline Hills Area** – Ron Agustin, Area Manager, reported:
 - Bradley Battles GMW for 15 years retired on Aug 4th
 - Sal is still on in a Out of Class Assignment (OCA) at Mission Bay, returning Sep 28th
 - Mariah Cote is on a temporary assignment at Montgomery Waller, Denisse Figueroa is currently OCA Center Director III and Langston Grant Mitchell is OCA Assistant Center Director (ACD) at Paradise Hills and Alondra Sandoval Guerrero is OCA Center Director I at Penn
2. **Paradise Hills Recreation Center** – Langston Grant Mitchell, OCA ACD reported:
 - Finishing the summer sports programs 16 & 12 and Under softball as well as t-ball
 - Starting the upcoming fall sports, which include the following flag football teams 2- 14u, 2- 12u, 2- 10u and 1- pee wee and the following volleyball teams: 2- 14u and 1- 17u teams.
 - Scheduling a date and time to resurface the gym floors
 - Currently planning the Youth Halloween event on Oct 16th
 - Construction in the parking lot for the EV charging stations is set to begin 9/8/26
3. **Penn Athletic Field** – Alondra Sandoval Guerrero Reported:
 - 9 weeks of camp – 2 field trips every week (Sesame Street, movie theater, padres game) & pool days every Thursday
 - 6 weeks Teen Nites – Food, drinks, Arts and crafts, Photo booths, over 200 participants, Themed nights

- San Diego Parks foundation sponsored Movies in the Park event featuring the Kung Fu Panda movie and had over 100 in attendance. The event also included free Panda Express and popcorn for all in attendance
- Softball/t-ball - 1 12 u team, 1 peewee team for a 6-week league
- Softball/t-ball banquet - Tuesday Sep 2 which included pizza, panda, brisket, chips & certificates were provided for all the participations and their families

Upcoming Fall Season Programs and Events:

- Flag Football league 12U is held on Fridays
- Cheer - Practice Mondays
- Flag football 10u team - Collaborating with Bay Terraces. Practice Monday and Wednesdays at Penn Athletic Fields
- Volleyball - 5 teams, 2 12u volleyball teams, 1 14u team in collab with Bay Terraces, 2 17U teams. Practice at Skyline Tuesday and Thursdays.
- Cooking/Baking Class - Classes are full, Classes are Fridays and Saturdays, where we teach the fundamentals which include recipes such as croissant almond rolls
- Karate - Wednesdays and Thursdays with approximately 30 participants in attendance
- Currently planning the following events: Pumkin Painting, Spooky Night & Turkey Trot
- Teen Center - Open Monday - Friday from 3:00pm- 6:30pm and from 2:00pm- 6:30pm on Fridays with Teen events scheduled every 2 weeks on Wednesdays
- New Rec Staff - Athena Castruita
- New GMW Staff - Pablo Guzman

4. Bay Terraces Community & Senior Center – Jordan Oden reported:

- We are offering Pee Wee/10u Soccer and 12u/14u Volleyball
- Spring Fling event will take place on March 27th from 3:00pm-5:00pm
- Now offering yoga Mondays 4:45p-5:30p

INFORMATION ITEMS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Paradise Hills Hiking Trail Update – Jordan Oden Reported:

- Frank Huntlee could not attend the meeting, but he sent an email update to provide to the group

Pacific View Joint use site – Ron Agustin Reported:

- The city took on a new joint use site in May
- Brand new fields, no lights and no restrooms

PH Parking Lot – Electrical Vehicle Charger

- Construction begins Sep 8th

FY27 Final Budgets

- Review final budget for the Fiscal Year 2027

ACTION ITEMS

None

WORKSHOP ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Don Houston adjourned the meeting at 6:49 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 Oct 1st, 2026.

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Submitted by:
Jordan Oden, Center Director I

Reviewed by:
Ron Agustin, Area Manager II