

City of San Diego
Parks and Recreation Department
San Ysidro Community Recreation Group
Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 8, 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:

Felipe Muro
Placido Villarreal
Juan Lopez
Rosa Ruesga
Martin Ortega
Consuelo Delgadillo
Manuel Lopez

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
Rodrigo Morales Villarreal, Council District 8

Members Absent:

David Guerrero

Guests:

Lilianna Barba, Assemblymember District 80

CALL TO ORDER:

CRG Board member Martin Ortega called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Introductions were made around the table for those in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MAY 11, 2026, MINUTES:

- **MOTION:** It was moved /seconded (F. Muro/P. Villarreal/) to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was carried with 4 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)

Ricky Duran of South Bay Futbol Club and CRG member passed away on Thursday June 4. He impacted hundreds of individuals with his presence and contributions of having Soccer low cost and relevant for the youth in the San Ysidro community.

CITY OF SAN DIEGO MAYOR’S REPORT:

None

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORT:

Representative Rodrigo Morales Villarreal reported the following:

- No changes to the City’s approved budget for Parks and Recreation. Budget is the same as last year.
- A flag football event in South San Diego for youth sports day is being promoted from Government Affairs. Information will be reported at the next meeting.
- A community member reached out to park staff regarding hosting a watch party at Larsen Field for World Cup games.

ASSEMBLYMEMBER DISTRICT 80 REPORT:

Lilianna Barba reported the following:

- State bills are moving forward to the Senate for consideration.
- Caltrans is working on a pedestrian bridge adjacent to Willow School.
- Top priorities of David Alvarez are Tijuana sewage, Education and Housing.

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT:

Community Relations Officer Carlos Edington reported the following:

- Officers will be assisting park staff at Larsen this summer for the annual ‘Teen Nite’ program which runs Friday June 27 to August 7.
- ‘National Night Out’ will take place on August 4 at Robert Egger South Bay Recreation Center. A community walk will take place at 4:15 p.m. to kick off event. Music, food, information booths, demonstrations and raffles will take place at the event. It is free and open to the public

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT:

None

BUDGET TO ACTUALS REPORT:

- Susana Torrez reported to everyone most recent financial RCF Budget to Actuals report for the San Ysidro Community Activity Center which includes budget expenditures of the San Ysidro teen center and senior center.
- Mari Jo Ricanor reported to everyone most recent financial RCF Budget to Actuals report for San Ysidro Larsen Field Community Center.

BOARDMEMBER COMMENT:

None

SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

None

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

- Felipe representing Comsports reported that they are looking into office space located at the San Ysidro Community Center located along San Ysidro Boulevard.
- Consuelo of Hearts and Hands thanked Officer Eddington for handling the issue of ‘For Sale’ cars parked along San Ysidro Boulevard which were parked in areas clearly zoned as ‘No Sale Zone’. Free food distribution continues to increase from 300 to 400 food boxes served. Mt. Carmel Church location distributes every 1st Tuesday of the month. Las Americas Outlet location distributes every 3rd Friday of the month.

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF REPORT:

Area Manager OCA Robert Lara reported the following:

- Project Updates
 - Larsen Field/ Vista Terrace
 - Energy and Water Saving Performance Contract. The project will begin at Larsen on June 30th.
 - No start date has been set for Vista Terrace.
 - San Ysidro CAC
 - Majority of the work is complete.
 - Waiting on the grates that will cover the bioswale. It can take up to 6 weeks.
 - Beyer Park
 - PEP (Plant Establishment Period) should start in August.
 - Projected project completion is late September.
 - People have been using the “campfire” style lookout to have actual campfires.
 - Delays are due to another project taking place at Otay Mesa Rd/ Beyer Blvd intersection
- Events
 - Parks After Dark at Silver Wing Recreation Center June 5 – August 1
 - Music, entertainment, community resources, arts & crafts, inflatables, youth sports clinics, health and fitness

- Teen Nite Kickoff at Larsen Field June 26, 2026
- The Statewide Primary Election was held at the San Ysidro Senior Center from Saturday, May 23 – Tuesday, June 2. The ROV are looking to host the November Primary Election at the senior center as well.
- All city facilities will be closed on Friday, June 19th in observance of Juneteenth and Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

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

- Distributed a flyer containing information on pool hours, classes, holiday closures and registration information.
- Swimming lessons for youth are ongoing.
- All City pools will be closed September 7.
- Staff offer swimming and water polo classes. See flyer for more information
- Water Fitness is being offered every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Recreation Center Director Mari Jo Ricanor reported the following for a San Ysidro Larsen Field Community Center:

- Free Afterschool meals given to youth remain ongoing Monday-Friday starting at 2:30 p.m. until food is gone.
- Staff are currently coaching youth in soccer and volleyball. League play is halfway through the season.
- Staff will start recruiting/practicing for girls' softball and coed futsal once soccer and volleyball season ends.
- Staff will be offering Nature Camp in the summer. Registration starts May 16.
- 'Teen Nites' will start Fridays June 27 to August 7. Free program for youth ages 12-17 years old. Event runs from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

ACTION ITEMS:

None

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Martin Ortega adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday September 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
 San Ysidro Community Activity Center
 179 Diza Road, San Ysidro, CA 92173
 (619) 534-3377

Submitted By:

Reviewed By:

Approved by:

 Mari Jo Ricanor
 Recreation Center Director

 Robert Lara
 Area Manager OCA

 Martin Ortega
 Chairperson