

City of San Diego
Park and Recreation Board

May 20, 2010

MINUTES

“WE ENRICH LIVES THROUGH QUALITY PARKS AND PROGRAMS”

Meeting Held at:

City Administration Building
Committee Room, 12th Floor
202 C Street
San Diego, CA 92101

Mailing Address is:

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Members Present

Wilbur Smith, Chair
Ginny Barnes
Bruce Brown
Rick Bussell
William Diehl
Vicki Granowitz
Norman Greene
David Kinney
Roz King
Olivia Puentes-Reynolds
Michael Stepner
(absent 4-4:30 p.m.)

Members Absent

City Staff Present

Stacey LoMedico
Clay Bingham
Christy Haupt
Patty Jencks
Jo-Ann Novak
Scott Reese
Shannon Thomas

CALL TO ORDER – Chair, Mr. Smith, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 2010

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Mr. Greene/Mr. Bussell

A motion was made by Mr. Greene and seconded by Mr. Bussell to approve the April 15, 2010 meeting minutes. Vote was unanimously approved with Ms. Puentes-Reynolds abstaining (8-0-1).

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Consent At this time the Board may consider adoption of one or more items on the adoption agenda as “Consent” items.

MOVED/SECONDED Ms. Barnes/Mr. Greene

A motion was made by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Greene to place Action Item 102 (Rename 252 Corridor Undeveloped Park to “Southcrest Trails”) on the Consent Agenda. Vote was unanimously approved (9-0).

No discussion took place regarding Item 102. Mr. Smith commended staff for bringing this long overdue name change forward to the Park and Recreation Board.

MOVED/SECONDED Mr. Greene/Ms. Barnes

A motion was made by Mr. Greene and seconded by Ms. Barnes to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote was unanimously approved (9-0).

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE – None

COMMITTEE REPORTS – The following reports were delayed to the end of the meeting due to the large number of Speaker Slips.

Area Committee Community Parks I – No Report

Area Committee Community Parks II – No Report

Balboa Park Committee – No Report

Design Review Committee – No Report

Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve Citizens' Advisory Committee – No Report

Mission Bay Park Committee – No Report

Mission Trails Regional Park Citizens' Advisory Committee – No Report

Tecolote Canyon Citizens' Advisory Committee

- Mr. Bussell thanked Ms. LoMedico for the way she resolved the encroachment issue in Tecolote.

Torrey Pines City Park Advisory Committee

- Ms. Barnes reported the Committee will meet tonight (5/20/10) to prioritize the Torrey Pines Park improvements.
- The Committee will continue to meet only if work is needed on the General Development Plan (GDP). The Committee may meet in October to begin the approval process.

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

Bob Kuczewski would like the Park and Recreation Board to recommend the continuance of the Torrey Pines City Park Advisory Committee.

ACTION ITEMS

101. Kate Session Proposed Alcohol Municipal Code Changes

Ms. LoMedico, Park and Recreation Director stated this action item is scheduled to go before the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services (PS&NS) Committee in June then onto the full City Council in July.

Mr. Bingham, Deputy Director, Community Parks I, provided a comprehensive review of Kate Session Proposed Alcohol Municipal Code Changes.

Members of the public spoke in favor of amending San Diego Municipal Code 56.54, titled “Alcoholic Beverage Consumption Prohibited in Areas,” to delete Kate Sessions Park from the 12 Hour Ban, San Diego Municipal Code appendix 56.54B and add Kate Sessions Park to the list of parks under a 24 Hour ban, San Diego Municipal Code appendix 56.54A: Richard Kiser, Dawn Kamali, Beverly Bradley (distributed handout to the Board), Michelle Youngers, Victoria Allen, Pamela Galvin, Mary L. Watson, Mary Majernik, John Majernick, John Westwood, Scott Chipman, Bryan Freeland, Leah Freeland, Mike Savoca, Mark Majernik, Rebecca Salvado, and Jennifer Binn.

Members of the public spoke in opposition of amending the San Diego Municipal to a 24 Hour ban: Walter Ladwig, Jr. (provided the Board with a petition), Chris Decker, Mark Mohs, Chris Winkle, Julie Reynolds, Timothy Reese, Justin Ansari, and Katrina Taft.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Ms. Barnes/Ms. Granowitz

A motion was made by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Ms. Granowitz to ban alcohol from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 6:00 p.m. Sunday as well as a 24 Hour ban period from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. on City and Federal holidays.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Ms. Barnes/Mr. Brown

Motion was amended to include the prohibition of kegs, household furniture and running water games.

An amended motion was made by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Brown. Motion failed (3-7) with Mr. Brown, Ms. Granowitz and Ms. Barnes in favor.

Mr. Stepner requested an alternative solution.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Mr. Greene/Mr. Stepner

Mr. Greene proposed to direct staff to look and seek a compromise with all the parties who have interest in this.

A motion was made by Mr. Greene and seconded by Mr. Stepner. Motion passed (7-1).

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT – No Report

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Ms. LoMedico distributed a handout of Good News items.
- Board Members should be receiving a couple of invites to openings: North Crown Point Gazebo Ribbon Cutting at the end of May and Florence Griffith-Joyner Joint Use Field Grand Opening Ceremony on June 12, 2010.
- Last month Ms. Granowitz asked if any Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) applications were received from recreation councils. The answer was no – one application was turned in, but was deemed incomplete.
- The Department received a grant from the National Parks Recreation Association in the amount of \$45,000 to support the Summer Lunch Program for 2010.
- In March Mr. Maddern left for a job opportunity in South Carolina. Mr. Mark Marney has been hired as the new Deputy Director in Golf Division. He will start on Monday.
- Mr. Pat Segawa, Golf Course Manager at Balboa Golf Course, has announced his retirement. His last week of work will be next week. Mr. Segawa has been with the City for 25 years.

103. Fiscal Year 2011 Proposed Fee Schedule

Patty Jencks, Supervising Management Analyst, Park and Recreation Department provided an overview of the proposed Fiscal Year 2011 Fee Schedule. Proposed fee changes were based on several factors including: Consumer Price Index (CPI) since the last fee revision (estimated at 0.5%); estimated cost recovery; and consistency improvements. The proposed fee revisions will result in an estimated annual increase in General Fund revenue of \$123,000.

Public in favor of Fiscal Year 2011 Fee Schedule: Lisa Druxman, Dawn Celapino, Bryan Schuler, Amy Thompson, Anne Schreber, and Amber Gonzalez.

Public in opposition of the Fiscal Year 2011 Fee Schedule: Joe Frichtel.

Public neutral of the Fiscal Year 2011 Fee Schedule: Joel Tracey – asked if providing climbing instructions in one of the parks or open space area, will this fall under professional and will this require a permit to do that? (Ms. LoMedico will provide Mr. Tracey the name of the staff person he should talk to for the park or open space area he is interested in teaching class at.)

Board Members comments and questions:

- Add cricket to season definitions for sports.
- Does the Recreational Council have priority on determining what programs take place at the recreation center? (Recreational Council, Community/City staff has priority to operate their programs first over outside vendors.)
- What is the percentage in fees difference for each Recreation Council? (Ms. Jencks stated they would have to go back to each program and calculate each one to determine the percentage of fee.)
- Fee charges effective date should start the Tuesday after Labor Day, where all Recreation Council's schedules are already in place for the summer programs.
- Kitchens and snack bars should have a flat rate fee where they are both using utilities.
- Concerned that Department staff do not encourage competition between permitted group activities by having the same activity taking place at the same time in the park.
- Taylor an incremental surcharge for the number of permitted people using the park.

- Concerned about the language in the fee schedule as it pertains to single/multiply users.
- The Department staff are responsible for doing counts and the Department may consider raising fee rate to cover additional oversight of activities.
- Fitness camps should be given a three month permit with three extensions for a total year of usage providing they have the proper insurance.
- Is the City dance fully cost recovery? (Ms. Jencks said yes it is fully cost recoverable.)
- Don't allow set-up and clean-up time to overlap on permitted activities.
- How have the fees impacted Community Parks II?
- Have an official date to review fees.
- Requested clarification on low-income rates. (Ms. Jencks provided clarification.)
- Would like a 75% fee waiver for low-income participants.
- How will the Department monitor park usage to determine if users are receiving compensation? (Ms. LoMedico stated that this is difficult, but we have good staff who monitor the parks and regional parks.)

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Mr. Bussell /Ms. Puentes-Reynolds

A motion was made by Mr. Bussell and seconded by Ms. Puentes-Reynolds to accept the Department's Fiscal Year 2011 Fee Schedule and to take the Board Members comments into consideration. Motion past with Mr. Stepner abstaining (6-3-1).

INFORMATION ITEM

201. Park and Recreation Department FY 2010 Customer Satisfaction Survey Results
Patty Jencks, Supervising Management Analyst, Park and Recreation Department

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Ms. Barnes/Mr. Bussell

A motion was made by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Bussell to accept the written report on Item 201 and not hear the presentation. Vote was unanimously approved (9-0).

WORKSHOP – None

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting: **Thursday, June 17, 2010**

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Submitted by,

Stacey LoMedico,
Park and Recreation Director