



REPORT

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

DATE ISSUED: July 9, 2009

REPORT NO: 102

ATTENTION: Park and Recreation Board
Agenda of July 16, 2009

SUBJECT: Municipal Code 26.30, Park and Recreation Board

SUMMARY: Should the City Council make changes to Municipal Code 26.30?

Director's Recommendation – Do not make changes to Municipal Code 26.30, as adopted by City Council on June 23, 2009.

Other Recommendations – None.

BACKGROUND

During the June 23, 2009 City Council hearing docket item #51 was heard as it relates to changes to the Municipal Code 26.30, Park and Recreation Board, specifically to the Mission Bay Park Committee and the Park and Recreation Board. The changes were required by City Charter section 55.2, Mission Bay Park and Regional Parks Improvement Funds, as approved by the voters in November 2008. During the public hearing, Council Member Lightner, District 1, expressed concerns about the composition of the Park and Recreation Board and the need to have a representative from a coastal community area. The City Council approved the docket item and in the motion was to bring Municipal Code 26.30 to the Natural Resources and Cultural (NR&C) Committee for discussion and potential changes, after the item was first heard by the Park and Recreation Board.

DISCUSSION

Municipal Code 26.30 outlines the composition and duties of the Park and Recreation Board, as well as the Balboa Park and Mission Bay Park Committees (attached). Prior to the recent implemented changes to Municipal Code by the City Council, members appointed to the Park and Recreation Board have been diverse and representative of the communities they represent. In fact, the current board membership includes representatives from seven Council Districts. Per City Charter section 43, the Mayor has the authority to appoint, with City Council approval, which is also outlined specifically in City Council Policy 000-13, Procedure for Mayor and Council Appointments. Following these policy documents and the City Charter, the Mayor

nominates individuals for appointments and the City Council confirms. In fact, the last six members appointed to the Park and Recreation Board have been from nominations submitted by Council Members.

As of July 1, 2009 the current Park and Recreation Board membership includes representatives from the following Council Districts:

Council District 1 – 2 representatives

Council District 2 – 1 representative

Council District 3 – 1 representative

Council District 4 – 1 representative

Council District 5 – 1 representative

Council District 6 – 1 representative (Mayor appointed as Chair)

Council District 7 – 1 representative

There are currently 3 positions available for the Mayoral appointments (two members are termed out, one vacancy).

Respectfully submitted,

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Park and Recreation Director

Attachments:

1. Municipal Code 26.30, Park and Recreation Board (January 2004)
2. Municipal Code 26.30, Park and Recreation Board (June 2009)
3. City Council Policy 000-13, Procedure for Mayor and City Council Appointments (December 2004)
4. City Charter section 43, Advisory Boards and Committees