



REPORT

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO TO THE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

DATE ISSUED: September 10, 2014

REPORT NO: 102

ATTENTION: Park and Recreation Board
Agenda of September 18, 2014

SUBJECT: Re-naming the Linda Vista Community Park Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion (deceased)

SUMMARY

Issue – Should the Park and Recreation Board approve the re-naming of the Linda Vista Community Park Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion?

Director's Recommendation – The Department does not take a position on facility naming requests.

Other Recommendations –

- On December 11, 2012, the Linda Vista Recreation Council voted 6-1 with no abstentions to recommend approval of re-naming the Linda Vista Community Park Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion.
- On April 3, 2014, the Community Parks I Area Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of re-naming the Linda Vista Community Park Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion.

Fiscal Impact – None. The signage will be paid for and maintained by the Linda Vista Recreation Council.

BACKGROUND

Melinda Appling had been active with the Linda Vista Park and Recreation Center since 1980. Along with her late husband Butch, Melinda started the Kushinda African Drumming and Dance Classes that continue to this day. All classes were, and still are free and open to everyone who wants to attend. The Kushinda Organization also started the Linda Vista Family Reunion in 2008. This is an event that encourages anyone who used to live or go to school in Linda Vista to

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return to the community and visit with other "Linda Vistans". The event has brought in over \$25,000 since its inception, all of which has been used by the Linda Vista Recreation Council to help fund youth programs, activities and special events at the park.

Along with her time, artistic capabilities, and monetary donations, Melinda also acted as a liaison with members of the community. She had deep roots in the community and used her knowledge to help keep peace when needed. She garnered the respect from all generations and races of people in the Linda Vista Community. Her peaceful, gentle and generous spirit has touched many lives and she will always be remembered as a strong community leader.

The Linda Vista Recreation Council believes that naming the new picnic shelter at Linda Vista "the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion" will be a tribute to her tireless efforts in improving all aspects of the Linda Vista community, especially the youth. The picnic shelter named in her honor will be a constant reminder that Melinda was a source of peace, love, kindness and tolerance.

DISCUSSION

The Linda Vista Recreation Council would like to recognize Ms. Appling as a Community Leader by officially naming the picnic shelter in her honor and naming it the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion.

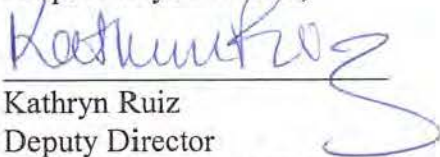
The re-naming process was delayed in part by Linda Vista Recreation Council discussions regarding an appropriate type of sign for the memorial. The Recreation Council ultimately agreed on a sign that is consistent with the Park and Recreation Department Park Standards and the Park and Recreation Board Policy.

The re-naming of the picnic shelter in honor of Melinda Appling is in compliance with Park and Recreation Board Policy #1001, "Naming of Parks and Recreation Facilities" (copy attached).

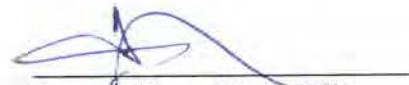
ALTERNATIVES

Do not approve the re-naming of the picnic shelter in honor of Melinda Appling.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathryn Ruiz
Deputy Director
Community Parks I Division



Prepared by: Steve Palle
District Manager, District 45
Community Parks I Division

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- Attachments:
1. Park and Recreation Board Policy #1001 – Naming of Parks and Recreation Facilities
 2. Agenda and Minutes from Community Parks I Area Committee dated February 5, 2014

cc: Council District 7 Office

PARK AND RECREATION BOARD POLICY

- SUBJECT:** Naming of Parks and Recreation Facilities
- BACKGROUND:** The public sometimes suggests that parks and recreation facilities be named after persons, living or dead.
- PURPOSE:** To provide a systematic procedure for the naming of parks and recreation facilities which will assist in their location by the citizenry, and to develop a method for the retention of names of historical or fiscal significance.
- POLICY:** As a general policy, parks and recreation facilities should be named to identify their locations. Especially for parks, the name of the community area, the names of nearby geographic features, the names of adjacent schools and street names should be given first consideration. However, they may also be named for individuals, living or dead, who are of historical significance to the local area or who have made major financial contributions in the opinion of the appropriate Recreation Councils and/or other advisory bodies, Board committees and the full Board. Facilities within parks, (such as buildings, gyms, courts, etc.) are more appropriate for naming after individuals than are parks.
- Renaming a facility for a person, when that facility is already named for a person, should only be undertaken with the utmost consideration. Every attempt should be made to contact the person or heirs of the person for whom the facility is currently named, to present their views verbally, or in writing, at a public hearing.
- PROCEDURE:** The Recreation Council effected by the proposed name change, shall hold a public hearing to review the request and the supporting documents and information, and shall make recommendations to the Area Committees and the Park and Recreation Board on any and all recommended changes to the renaming of existing facilities.
- SUBSTANTIATION:** Park and Recreation Board Minutes of 6/16/83 (page 2469)
Park and Recreation Board Minutes of November 15, 2001 (page 4).

PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA

CITY OF SAN DIEGO
COMMUNITY PARKS I DIVISION AREA COMMITTEE

February 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Doyle Community Park
8175 Regents Road
San Diego, CA 92122
(858) 581-7170

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 4, 2013 MINUTES

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Consent At this time the Board may consider adoption of one or more items in the adoption agenda as "Consent" items.

COMMUNICATIONS Limited to items not on the agenda. Each item will be limited to three minutes and is not debatable.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

STAFF REPORT

1. Steve Palle, City Staff Rep. – General Report

ACTION ITEMS

1. Naming of the Linda Vista Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion
Presenter: Linda Vista Recreation Council Representative
2. Proposed Revision to the Standley Community Park General Development Plan
Presenter: Marilyn Stern, District Manager, Community Parks I Division

WORKSHOP ITEMS

1. Quicken/Quickbooks – Program Impacts
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INFORMATION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

March 5, 2014
Doyle Community Park
8175 Regents Road

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MINUTES

CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY PARKS I DIVISION – AREA COMMITTEE

February 5, 2014

Meeting held at:

Doyle Community Park
8175 Regents Road
San Diego, CA 92122

Mailing Address:

City of San Diego
CPI Area Committee
2581 Quivira Court
San Diego, CA 92101

ATTENDANCE

Rick Bussell CPI Area Committee Chair Present

| Advisory Group | Representative | Present | Absent |
|--|---------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Allied Gardens Recreation Council | Terry Cords | X | |
| Carmel Mountain/Sabre Springs R.C. | Esther Berry | X | |
| Carmel Valley Recreation Council | Pat Collins/Greg Ratchuk | | X |
| Doyle Recreation Council | Sue Evans | X | |
| Dusty Rhodes Recreation Council | Pat Warren | | X |
| Kearny Mesa Recreation Council | Dixie Wilson/Larry Murray | X | |
| La Jolla Recreation Council | Mary Coakley-Munk | | X |
| Linda Vista Recreation Council | Doug Beckham /Tam Nguyen | | X |
| Mira Mesa Recreation Council | Joe Frichtel | X | |
| Nobel Recreation Council | Carroll Zahn | | X |
| North Clairemont Recreation Council | Robert Murillo | X | |
| Ocean Air Recreation Council | Steve Thorn | | X |
| Ocean Beach Recreation Council | Jim Nickel/Rep. | | X |
| Point Loma Recreation Council | Mike Moser | | X |
| Rancho Bernardo Recreation Council | Sally Grigoriev | | X |
| Rancho Penasquitos Recreation Council | Scott Gellerman | X | |
| Robb Field Recreation Council | Pat Warren | | X |
| San Carlos/Lake Murray Recreation Council | John Pilch | X | |
| Santa Clara/Pacific Beach Recreation Council | Justin Binns | | X |
| Scripps Ranch Recreation Council | Marc Sorensen | X | |
| Serra Mesa Recreation Council | Jon Cima | X | |
| South Clairemont Recreation Council | Chris Pierce | X | |
| Standley Park Recreation Council | John Schindel | X | |
| Sunset Cliffs Natural Park | Gene Berger | | X |
| Tecolote Recreation Council | Susan Mournian | X | |
| Tierrasanta Recreation Council | Betty Oglivie | | X |

CITY OF SAN DIEGO STAFF

Steve Palle Park and Recreation Dept. Representative
Marilyn Stern District Manager, Park and Recreation Dept.,

PRESENTERS

Greg Zinser Standley Park – GDP Amendment

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Kurt Brickley Kearny Mesa Recreation Council
Dan Allen La Jolla Parks and Beaches, Inc.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Rick Bussell at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION MOVED/SECONDED Joe Frichtel/Robert Murillo

A motion was made by Mr. Frichtel and seconded by Mr. Murillo to approve the December 4, 2013 minutes as corrected. The motion was approved (7-0) with six (6) abstentions; Cords, Berry, Wilson, Cima, Pierce, and Gellerman.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

MOTION MOVED/SECONDED John Pilch/Scott Gellerman

A motion was made by Mr. Pilch and seconded by Mr. Gellerman to move the proposed naming of Linda Vista Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion item to the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously (13-0)

MOTION MOVED/SECONDED Marc Sorenson/John Schindel

A motion was made by Mr. Sorenson and seconded by Mr. Schindel to approve adopting the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously (13-0).

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Cords expressed that he felt it would be beneficial that the Department Instruction 8.3 item be discussed at a future meeting. Mr. Bussell requested that Mr. Palle add the item as an information or workshop item to a future agenda.

Mr. Palle informed the committee that he was going to briefly cover DI 8.3 as part of his staff report; however, at the request of the committee he will add it as a future agenda item. Mr. Palle added that a memo had been distributed to the individual recreation councils in January and the item should have been discussed at the council levels in January or at their February meetings. The purpose for bringing to CPI was strictly for informational purposes.

Mr. Cima also requested that an agenda item allowing for general discussion on Active Net/Online Registration be added for a future meeting.

Mr. Palle informed the committee that earlier in the day a memo was distributed which contained information on online expansion and Active Net changes. This memo was sent to the individual recreation councils for input/action. The next cluster of sites is expected to be active by March 22 with the goal that all sites will be active by the end of the year.

Mr. Bussell reminded the committee that this was not an agenda item and requested that it be added to a future agenda as a workshop item.

Ms. Berry introduced herself as one of the new representatives from the Carmel Mountain/Sabre Springs Recreation Council. She shared with the committee her concerns over dogs being allowed access to the athletic fields and in particular "pooping" on the fields.

Mr. Bussell requested that this item be added as workshop item to the agenda for the next schedule meeting.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Mr. Bussell reported that the City is getting new trail plans for Tecolote Canyon. On the existing maps, many of the trail heads are actually located on private property and the City cannot legally identify those trail heads. The revised maps will properly identify trail heads on City property and exclude that ones that may sit on private property.

STAFF REPORT

Steve Palle, staff representative reported on the following:

1. Interviews will be held in mid-February for the vacant Director position. An appointment is expected in early March.
2. Kathleen Hasenauer, Deputy Director of Developed Regional Parks has announced her retirement after 41 years with the City, all in the Park and Recreation Department. Her last day will be February 19. The process is underway to fill her position, so we do not anticipate an extended vacancy in this position.

3. Interviews for the two vacant CD III positions were held in January and one appointment has been made. John Gascon from Pacific Beach Recreation Center has been promoted to CD III and will be starting at Mt. View Recreation Center effective February 15, 2014. A selection has also been made to fill the vacancy at Kearny Mesa; however, the offer is conditional pending medical and background clearance of this individual. With Mr. Gascon's promotion, we will incur a vacancy at PB Recreation Center. We are currently working to have that position filled within the next month, possibly within the next two weeks.
4. The Hickman Fields GDP Amendment Proposal went before Design Review in December. The motion to approve the GDP (Alternative 1) failed 2-3. The item did not go before Park and Recreation Board and most likely won't be heard until a new director is appointed.
5. At the December meeting and in e mail correspondences following that meeting, several questions were raised regarding by-laws and the SUP (Special Use Permit). Although this is an important issue that the department and the councils want to resolve, senior management staff has indicated that this issue most likely will not be addressed until the new director is on board. Interim Director Andy Field does have this item at the top of this list and it is possible that may be the one assigned to undertake the project moving forward.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Naming of the Linda Vista Picnic Shelter to the Melinda Appling Memorial Pavilion.

Item Moved to Consent Agenda

2. Proposed Revision to the Standley Park General Development Plan (GDP)

Presenters: Greg Zinser, Lahaina Architects
Marilyn Stern, District Manager, Community Parks I
John Schindel, Standley Recreation Council

Ms. Stern provided an overview of the project. The proposed GDP revision includes the construction and placement of a permanent stage located at the south portion of the open passive area between the pool and recreation center. The community stage will be used for the Concerts in the Park program and other special events offered by the site. Ms. Stern then introduced Mr. Zinser who presented specific aspects of the project.

Upon completion of public comment, committee members asked questions, provided comments and made recommendations. The following information was shared:

- Members were interested in if City money will be used for this project and what type of funding had already been confirmed for this project.

Mr. Zinser stated that no City money will be used for this project. The plan is to have services and materials donated and additional monies will be raised through assistance from the community and fund raising.

- Members inquired as to why they did not consider an enclosed stage and while other expressed concern about the acoustics with an open structure.

Mr. Zinser informed the committee that there were a couple of reasons for the open setting. There was concern over vandalism and the potential for undesirable activity to occur if the stage was enclosed. People would be able to hide on the back side, out of view and it would also be more susceptible to graffiti and other vandalism. The sound level is being addressed through the installation of drop down acoustic panels. During concerts the panels will be dropped down to enhance the sound and when the stage is not being used they will be folded up and secured.

- Members inquired about public input and the noise impacts on the surrounding residents.

Mr. Schindel shared that two separate public forums were held. Residents within a 200 foot radius of the park were notified of the meetings. Only one resident (husband and wife) objected to the stage. The item also went before the recreation council in December 13 and the council approved the concept unanimously. The Concerts in the Park series have been running at Standley Park during the Summer for the past 8-10 years. The events are highly successful and serve the entire community.

- Mr. Cima inquired about ongoing maintenance of the stage once it is built.

Mr. Zinser stated that the recreation council will ultimately be responsible for replacement and repairs but they would work with City staff on the ongoing maintenance.

- Ms. Mournian inquired about the potential removal of trees.

Mr. Zinser explained that City staff recommended the removal of the trees because of the proposed location and potential hazards. They would have to plant new trees for any trees that were removed. He also mentioned that there was some flexibility in the location of the stage and it was not certain trees would have to be removed.

Upon completion of the presentation, public comment and discussion by the committee, a motion was made.

MOTION MOVED/SECONDED Scott Gellerman/John Schindel

A motion was made by Mr. Gellerman and seconded by Mr. Schindel to approve the revision of the Standley Park GDP to include a permanent stage as presented. The motion passed unanimously (13-0).

WORKSHOP ITEMS

1. Quicken/Quickbooks – Program Impacts

Mr. Cima informed the committee that PCM/Sarcom is working with the City on the swap out of the current computer systems. On April 8th, 2014, Windows XP will be disconnected from the City network and all the swaps out need to be completed by then. His major concern was that many of the sites allow non-employee access to the current computers for recreation council

business. In most cases it would be the council treasurers and even bookkeepers/accountants working with the Center Directors on financial reports, i.e. Quicken, Quickbooks and Excel. Some programming may not be compatible on the system and other documents and programs might be lost if not properly backed up. He did not believe that the councils were fully aware that any failure to back up material could potentially impact recreation council financial operations.

Following Mr. Cima's presentation, a discussion ensued. Many of the committee members were extremely concerned that they had not been notified of the swap outs and potential impacts. The following information was also shared and expressed;

- Could the old computers remain on site in case staff needs to transition information onto the new systems?
- Will the City provide external hard drives and/or flash drives to ensure that information is properly backed up?
- How will the transition to the new computers impact the sites that currently run Active Net?
- Can the transition schedule be altered to ensure that computers and/or center directors that have not backed up onto the network or onto other devices have ample time to do so?

Mr. Cima and Mr. Palle addressed the various questions and stated that they would work together to ensure that concerns expressed by the committee members are addressed and shared with members of their respective organizations. Mr. Palle added that although he was not aware of a specific email solely addressing the need to back up documents and programs was sent out, multiple e mails were sent out informing staff of the transition. It is possible that staff was not fully aware of the impacts on such programs as Quicken and Quickbooks and they did not think to share the information with their recreation councils. He went on to inform the committee that reminders have been sent to all of the staff in his district and he will request that another division-wide email be sent out to all staff.

INFORMATION ITEMS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Pilch informed the committee that San Carlos had a new gym floor. Only minor touch ups had been performed since the year 2000. The work was performed through an ROE that was coordinated with the San Carlos/Lake Murray Recreation Council and Johnson Flooring. Councilmember Scott Sherman held a press conference to unveil renovations at seven (7) of the parks in the Navajo Community. The recreation council and Lake Murray Playground Project Inc. are also working with staff on two (2) right of entry permits for Lake Murray. Although the process has been a struggle, he thanked Area Manager Angelina Black for all her work on the both of the permits.

Mr. Schindel shared with the committee that the Standley Recreation Council was interested in naming one of the meeting rooms after former recreation council chair and CPI Area Committee member Bob Ullmann.

Mr. Bussell took the opportunity to remind the committee that there is a process for the naming and renaming of facilities and fields, which also includes rooms. He asked Mr. Schindel to speak with park staff and make sure that it goes through the proper processes/channels.

Ms. Mournian shared that the City is negotiating with AT&T on placing a 40 ft. cell tower and equipment shed at Tecolote Park. She expressed some concern over ADA and "triggering events".

After some discussion, Mr. Bussell stated that although he was somewhat familiar with the process regarding cell tower proposals, it might be beneficial for the committee if a formal presentation was made at a future meeting. He asked Mr. Palle to help facilitate this.

Ms. Evans shared that Doyle will be celebrating 20 years on June. She also shared that a new monument sign was installed at the southwest entrance into the park. New plant material was placed around the sign to enhance the area. The council funded the project.

Mr. Sorenson shared that Sycamore Canyon Park will be coming online sometime in the Summer. It will be a MAD maintained park and all programming and permitting will come through Scripps Ranch Recreation Center. He also shared that he was recently appointed to the Golf Advisory Board.

Mr. Pierce informed the committee that he has been part of the Clairemont Family Day event at South Clairemont for the past six (6) years. He is looking forward to the event this year, which will be held the first Saturday in August.

Mr. Frichtel shared that the Circus will be coming to Mira Mesa from February 27th – March 3rd. He also expressed concern over cell phone towers and the process.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Meeting date is tentatively scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on February 5, 2014.

Doyle Community Park
8175 Regents Road

Submitted by,


Steve Palle
District Manager

