

MINUTES

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE December 1, 2020

Meeting Location

ONLINE MEETING via Microsoft Teams viewed on the City's Public Meetings [YouTube channel](#)

Mailing Address:

Balboa Park
Administration Building
2125 Park Boulevard
San Diego, CA 92101

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Ron Anderson
Stephanie Smith
Jeff Johnson
Judith Munoz
Darlene Walter
Giovanni Ingolia
David Potter

Members Absent

Kari Logan
Paul Robinson - excused

Guests

Al DiDonato
Randy Biggenzahn
Andrew Meyer
Namara Mercer
Heidi Wiggins
Tristan Boxford
Kristen Bryne
Kristine Entwistle
Gia Ballash

City Staff Present

Mike Rodrigues
Christina Chadwick
Jennifer Scott
Carrie Munson
CaSundra Perry
Brandon Broaddus
Ryan Barbrick
Johnny Chou
Adra Alkuree

CALL TO ORDER – “Acting” Chairperson, David Potter, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – October 6, 2020

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by R. Anderson and seconded by J. Munoz to approve the October 6, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

Comment submitted by Carolyn Chase

On behalf of the volunteer-led non-profit Fiesta Island Dog Owners (FIDO), I'm here to advise the committee that we are looking into creating a maintenance project or two to improve shoreline access and public safety at two locations up and down the berms at the fenced off-leash dog park. Right now, hundreds of people move up and down and have increased erosion in and around the busiest locations. We plan to work with park staff and present the proposal as it becomes more defined. Tonight, we're just wanting

to make you aware of our intentions. We have no defined project yet. Any questions, please email info@FIDOSD.org and we'll answer them as we can. Thanks!

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – No Report

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 OFFICE – Carrie Munson

Councilmember Campbell was present for the grand opening of the new Maruta Gardner Playground at West Bonita Cove on November 9th, some concerns regarding the safety of the cable core ropes were brought to Parks and Recreation's attention. Fences were installed at Cadman Park dog off leash area. Newly elected Mayor, Todd Gloria will take office on December 10th and Councilmember Campbell is in the running for Council President. Council District 2 Office is holding virtual meetings December 16 -18 to gather community input on goals for 2021. CD2 worked on a grant for the Audubon Society in support of wetlands restoration. Longfellow Joint Use Park has re-opened.

STAFF REPORTS

San Diego Lifeguard Service – no report

San Diego Police Department – Officer Brandon Broaddus

Officer Broaddus reported that things are starting to slow down at the beaches and PD continues to issue citations for illegal fires. Homeless encampments continue to be a problem in Mission Bay Park and should be referred to the neighborhood policing team. Stephanie Smith thanked staff for re-opening the playgrounds.

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Mike Rodrigues, District Manager, reported that the Maruta Gardner Playground at West Bonita officially opened on November 9th with a Mayor Faulconer ribbon cutting dedication. Balboa Park's "Taste of December Nights" drive through event will be held December 4th through the 6th. Curfew update for Fanuel St. Park, Mission Bay Athletic Area and PB Library – a draft ordinance has been received by Deputy City Attorney, the next step is Council Committee before going to full City Council. Adjusting the Mission Bay Park dog hours is scheduled to go to Parks Recreation Board of action in January. Requests for laydown areas within Mission Bay Park has increased due to all the roadway and utility construction occurring in the surrounding neighborhoods. P&R has approved a staging area for an underground utility project at Crown Point Park, future requests for staging areas within MBP will come to Committee for input. Appointments and re-appointments for Mission Bay Park Committee members is currently under way and we may have some new members join us after the new year. Mark Marney, Deputy Director for Golf Division, has announced his retirement. A revised Mission Bay Park Improvement Fund project map was distributed. Park maintenance staff and park rangers have been very hard at work keeping the park clean and safe.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE – None

ACTION ITEMS

Consent (These items are adopted without discussion; they can be moved to adoption by any committee member.)

101. Request to approve San Diego Triathlon Challenge special event hosted by Challenged Athletes Foundation – Swim, bike, run event to be held Sunday, October 24, 2021 at Bonita Cove from 4:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Estimated participants are 150-200 with 800 spectators. Amplified music and PA for announcements. Bonita Cove East Parking lot will be closed. No alcohol.

102. Request to approve Standup Paddle Board Event hosted by Association of Paddle Surf Professionals featuring entry level clinics to professional competition. Saturday, October 1, 2021 and Sunday, October 2, 2021 at Bonita Cove. No road or parking lot closures with 500 participants and 1500 spectators expected over the weekend. PA system for announcements and music from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., no alcohol.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by G. Ingolia and seconded by Ron Anderson to approve the two events on the consent agenda, items 101 and 102. Motion Carried 7-0.

Permits for special events will only be issued once the State and County approve allowing events again and when all lessees are notified by organizer. Notification list will be sent to organizer.

Adoption (Each adoption item requires individual action; they can be moved to consent by action of the committee.)

201. Sportsmen's Seafood Company Inc, a California Corporation proposal to redevelop and provide leasehold improvements

Al Di Donato, with Di Donato Associates provided an overview of the proposed improvements for Sportsmen's Seafood and requested Mission Bay Park Committee support.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Johnson and seconded G. Ingolia by to approve the proposed redevelopment plan for Sportsmen's Seafood Company. Motion carried 7-0.

202. Request letter of support from Mission Bay Park Committee to continue existing nighttime parking lot gate closures at South Jetty in Mission Beach, Mission Point, Crown Point, East Bonita Cove, Ventura Cove, Bahia Point, Fanuel Street Park and Fiesta Island.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by R. Anderson and seconded by S. Smith to write a letter in support of the existing nighttime parking lot closures at park locations listed above. Motion Carried 7-0. Stephanie Smith volunteered to draft the letter.

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT REVIEW: Special Events that require road closures or will potentially impact park and/or commercial operation are brought to the Committee for a formal recommendation. They can be moved to Consent by action of the Committee.

301. None

WORKSHOP ITEMS (No actions taken; discussed by the Committee and staff)

401. None

INFORMATION ITEMS

501. Mission Bay Athletic Area Comfort Station Modernization
Jennifer Scott with City of San Diego Engineering & Capital Projects introduced Randy Biegenzahn with Platt/Whitelaw Architects who provided the detailed design for the Mission Bay Athletic Area improvements which includes a new comfort station facility with concessions stand along with ADA improvements.

502. ReWild Mission Bay Project
Andrew Meyer, Director of Conservation with San Diego Audubon Society provided an update on the Mission Bay Wetlands Restoration Plan using the recommended "wildest" alternative.

503. Central Mobility Hub Project
Gia Ballash with SANDAG provided a very compressive presentation on the Central Mobility Hub project by providing a list of priority projects.

SUB-COMMITTEE - None

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT – "Acting Chairperson Potter adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: The January 5, 2021 has been cancelled. Next regular meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mike Rodrigues, District Manager, Mission Bay Park

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