

MINUTES

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE October 4, 2022

Meeting Location

Santa Clara Recreation Center
1008 Santa Clara Place
San Diego, CA 92109

Mailing Address:

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

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Marshall Anderson
Giovanni Ingolia
Jeff Johnson
Judith Munoz
Stephanie Smith
Darlene Walter

Members Absent

Ron Anderson-excused
Josh Coyne-excused
Jim Gross-excused
James Hauser-excused

Guests

Amy LaRoche
Jason Procter
Kathy Dryden
Richard Thomas
Jim Lake
Todd Sprague

City Staff Present

Mike Rodrigues
Lt. Rick Aguilar
Officer Jessica Thrift
Salome Martinez
Jerry Abbott
Lt. Brian Clark
Rodney Greek

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson, Judith Munoz, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – September 6, 2022

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Johnson and seconded by M. Anderson to approve the September 6, 2022 Mission Bay Park Committee meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 4-0 with 2 abstentions (G. Ingolia, J. Munoz)

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

Denise Freidman thanked P&R staff for their efforts to help make the annual PAESAN event at Crown Point a success. She also thanked Sea World and Evans Hotels for their generous donations. Bill Overstreet was honored as well as Lifeguards and Lt. Rick Aguilar with SDPD.

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – no report

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 OFFICE – no report

STAFF REPORTS

San Diego Lifeguard Service – Lt. Brian Clark stated that there has been an increase in enforcement of illegal watercraft operations by the boating unit producing an increase of impounds and a decrease in boating accidents. Summer lifeguard staffing has ended in most swim areas of Mission Bay. Lifeguards are working hard to keep the bay safe.

San Diego Police Department – Lt. Aguilar announced that Captain Wahl has transferred to Operational Support and Erwin Manansala was promoted as Captain for Northern Division. Lt. Aguilar reported on shift changes, beach teams and dive training for the boating unit. SDPD was able to use intel to divert a car takeover event at Belmont parking lot, keeping the park safe.

Parks and Recreation - Mission Bay Park District Manager, announced the hiring of Crisol Sanchez as the new Park Ranger for Mission Bay Park as well as appointments of Kimberly Stemmermann as Grounds Maintenance Manager for Balboa Park and Steve Palle as Deputy Director for Community Parks I Division. Movie in the Park event will be held Saturday, October 8, 2022 at Santa Clara Park starting at 4:30 p.m. Work continues at the Santa Clara playground/restroom and the North Tecolote playground/restroom projects. Upcoming events include Triathlon on 10/8, Car Show on 10/8, Triathlon on 10/21 and Komen 3-Day 11/18-20 @ Crown Point.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE – none

ACTION ITEMS

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

101. none

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

201. none

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. **Well+Fest 2023** - Amy LaRoche, Coordinator Wellness Lounge Mission Bay requested approval to conduct a wellness festival on Saturday, January 21, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Hospitality Point (along Quivira Way). No road closures or alcohol. Estimated attendance is 250. PA system for music and announcements. There will be vendor sales.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by G. Ingolia and seconded by J. Johnson to approve the proposed event as presented. The motion carried 6-0

Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by organizer.

302. Epic Series Obstacle Course Race – Richard Thomas, EPIC Series OCR requested approval to hold a functional movement event which combines high intensity CrossFit training, strongman and traditional obstacle course racing at Fiesta Island (OTL area) on Saturday, April 29, 2023 from 6:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Estimated 700 participants with 100 spectators. No road closures or alcohol. PA system used for announcements and music.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Johnson and seconded by G. Ingolia to approve the proposed event as presented. The motion carried 6-0

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

401. Review letter “draft” from Mission Bay Park Committee to City Officials addressing public safety concerns at Mission Bay Park and Libraries to include progressive enforcement with enhanced collaboration between law enforcement agencies, City/District Attorneys and courts. Marshall Anderson will finalize the letter and send it to Park and Recreation Board for review.

402. Unfunded Park Improvements – tabled until November meeting

INFORMATION ITEMS

501. Peninsula Tennis Club Conceptual Plan – Todd Sprague Peninsula Tennis Club, President San Diego District Tennis Association provide a concept of expanding the footprint of the 12 tennis courts at Peninsula Tennis Club (PTC) with private funding to allow for normal spacing between courts, adding Padel courts to PTC and updating the current clubhouse.

Steve Leffler stated that PTC will follow Council Policy 600-33 regarding initiating a General Development Plan amendment which will include public involvement.

John Broderick supports the concept to expand the PTC tennis court facility and adding Padel courts and updating the clubhouse

502. Peninsula Tennis Club Conceptual Plan – Todd Sprague with Peninsula Tennis Club, President San Diego District Tennis Association provide a concept for constructing a standalone pickleball facility with up to 14 courts, increased parking in a designated area of Robb Field with private funding.

David Coppa with the Pickleball Association of San Diego agrees with optimizing the hardscape at Robb Field and he would like equal access to the opportunity for his association. He feels that both pickleball and tennis could thrive at Robb Field

Ron Bell, a 40-year member of Peninsula Tennis Club supports adding pickleball to the Peninsula Tennis Club

Steve Leffler wanted to go on record stating the he feels that Peninsula Tennis Club is under attack by the Pickleball Association of San Diego

John Broderick supports the Peninsula Tennis Club, acting on behalf of the Special Use Permit Holder, obligation to preserve and enhance racket sports at the Robb Field facility.

503. SeaWorld Master Plan Update – Jim Lake, Park President with Sea World San Diego provided a quick overview of the Sea World Master Plan update. The Plan focuses on water quality, mobility and sustainability keeping with the local coastal program. There are no new environmental impacts. This item will appear on the November MBPC agenda for action.

504. Mission Bay Yacht Club main clubhouse remodel presentation – Kathy Dryden and Jason Proctor provide an overview of the proposed clubhouse remodel plans with an estimated \$2.5-\$3 million cost.

SUB-COMMITTEE – none

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT – Chairperson Munoz adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, November 1, 2022 @ Santa Clara Recreation Center

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Rodriguez

District Manager, Mission Bay Park