

MINUTES

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE

October 5, 2021

Meeting Location

Santa Clara Recreation Center
1008 Santa Clara Pl.
San Diego, CA 92109

Mailing Address:

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

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present

Ron Anderson
Marshall Anderson
Jeff Johnson
Judith Munoz
David Potter
Stephanie Smith
Darlene Walter - arrived 6:08pm

Members Absent

Giovanni Ingolia - excused

Guests

Keiko Newton
Eric Marenburg
Sree Kandhudai
Andrew Meyer
Padma Jagannathan

City Staff Present

Mike Rodrigues
Carrie Munson
Rick Romero
Farhad Hossan
Erwin Dee

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – September 7, 2021

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by D. Potter and seconded by J. Johnson to approve the September 7, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 5-0 with 1 abstention (S. Smith)

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

none

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – Judith Munoz reported that California Coastal Commission fined Campland by the Bay for violating public access. A letter was sent to Mayor's Office, City Council District 2 Office, SDPD and Parks and Recreation sharing concerns that Mission Bay Park Committee has with long term RV habitation occurring at Mission Bay Park. Judith asked staff about staffing vacancies for the park and raised some questions about funding for Improvement Fund projects.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 OFFICE – Carrie Munson thanked MBPC for the letter addressing concerns over long term RV parking at the bay. The Council Office is fielding many calls about the problem CD2 will coordinate a response with SDPD and Parks and

Recreation. CD2 supported the ban on “ghost guns” and is working with the Mayor’s Office on Short Term Rentals and street vendor policies/guidelines. Street vendors regulations are expected to go to City Council in the Fall. CD2 supports the parking meter proposal in Pacific Beach.

STAFF REPORTS

San Diego Lifeguard Service – Lt. Romero reported that winter staffing has started, no more lifeguard staff at swim zones in Mission Bay Park. The new grant funded Fireboat is scheduled to arrive in November. Boating safety is still a top priority.

San Diego Police Department – no report. Officer Brandon Broaddus has changed assignments with Northern Division

Parks and Recreation Mission Bay Park – District Manager, Mike Rodrigues announced that September 9, 2021 was proclaimed Namara Mercer Day at City Council. Mike reported that change on dog hours is scheduled to visit Council Committee in November. Mission Bay Park has several staffing vacancies, including a Park Ranger, and Utility Supervisor. The Carpenter position has been filled. Expect an update on the DeAnza mobile home clean up at the November meeting.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE – none

ACTION ITEMS

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

101. November Project Summit – Request to hold a small yoga, meditation, team building event on Friday, November 12th from 10:00am – 3:00pm at Bonita Cove West with amplified music. No alcohol or parking lot closures.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Johnson and seconded by R. Anderson to adopt and approve Consent Item 101 November Project Summit as presented. The motion carried 7-0

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

201. Approve the Coastal Parking Lot Overnight Closures and Gates

Mike Rodrigues, District Manager Mission Bay Park, presented an overview of the proposed overnight parking lot closures plan within Mission Bay Park as part of community outreach seeking interest and support from Mission Bay Park Committee for Parks and Recreation to bring this item to California Coastal

Commission for consideration.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by M. Anderson and seconded by S. Smith to support the Mission Bay Park proposed overnight parking lot plan as presented for California Coastal Commission consideration. The motion carried 7-1.

202. Revise and approve Mission Bay Park Committee Bylaws

Discussion took place regarding revisions to the current MBPC Bylaws and input was provided by members to staff. Mike Rodrigues and Chairperson Munoz will work together to incorporate the recommended changes and revise the current Bylaws for action at a future meeting for action. Mike requested members to take one more look and submit recommended changes to him prior to the November meeting.

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. Importance of eelgrass habitats in Mission Bay Park

Sree Kandhadai, Padma Jagannathan and Andrew Meyer from San Diego Audubon Advocates provided an overview of the importance of eelgrass habitats in Mission Bay. Andrew Meyer requested a report from staff regarding the eelgrass restoration efforts after the 2018 dredging project. Mr. Rodrigues referred Mr. Meyer to James Arnhart, Project Officer with Engineering and Capital Projects for that report.

SUB-COMMITTEE - none

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT – Chairperson Munoz adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: November 2, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Rodrigues, District Manager, Mission Bay Park

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