

MINUTES

City of San Diego Boards and Commissions MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE December 6, 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
Ron Anderson
Josh Coyne
Giovanni Ingolia
Jeff Johnson
Judith Munoz
Darlene Walter

Members Absent

Jim Gross-excused
James Hauser-excused
Stephanie Smith - excused

Guests

Cristina SantaMaria
Kathy Parrish
Lisa Gonzales
Ed Arguelles
Mike Beltran

City Staff Present

Mike Rodrigues
Lt. Rick Aguilar
Officer Jessica Thrift
Lt. Brian Clark
Carrie Munson
Michael Ruiz
Karen Dennison
Christina Chadwick

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – November 1, 2022

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by G. Ingolia and seconded by R. Anderson to approve the November 1, 2022 Mission Bay Park Committee meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 5-0 with 2 abstentions (J. Munoz, M. Anderson)

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS – none

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT – Judith Munoz stated that she attended the dedication/ribbon cutting for the North Tecolote playground/comfort station/parking lot improvement project. She had an opportunity to talk to Mayor Gloria about MBPC's request for reimbursement of Park Improvement Funds.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 OFFICE – Carrie Munson reported that Council Member Campbell also attend the North Tecolote improvement project dedication. She noted that the 74th City Council Inauguration will be held at Central Library on December 12th. The last City Council meetings before legislative recess will be held 12/12 & 12/13. Budget revisions for funding priorities are due in January.

STAFF REPORTS

San Diego Lifeguard Service – Lt. Brian Clark announced limited staffing at Mission Bay swim areas during the winter months. Full staffing will resume in the summer. Lifeguards will be out for the annual Mission Bay Boat Parade of Lights event on 12/10. There has been an increase in immigrant smuggling attempts via the waterways.

San Diego Police Department – Lt. Aguilar talked briefly about Oversize Vehicle Ordinance enforcement in the beach communities as well as 72-hour parking violations. Park citation and vehicle impound statistics were provided. Police Officer overtime continues, and the Homeless Outreach Team is out in full force. Continue to use the GetItDone app to report violations and encampments.

Parks and Recreation

Chief Park Ranger, Michael Ruiz introduced himself and provided a comprehensive overview of the restructured Park Ranger program. The Developed Regional Parks (including Mission Bay Park) Rangers now report to him as the newly appointed Chief Park Ranger. Mission Bay Park will be receiving additional Park Rangers in 2023 to assist with enforcement of the approved Street Vendor Ordinance for beach communities that will take full effect in January, 2023.

Mission Bay Park District Manager, Mike Rodrigues thanked all Committee Members for their attendance and continued commitment. Current park improvements project underway include Santa Clara playground and restroom, South Tecolote playground/restroom and Northwest DeAnza parking lot. As noted, the North Tecolote playground has opened and is very popular. Mission Bay Park maintenance staff has planted 13 new trees and their primary maintenance focus is on the West Shore with lots of projects planned.

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. Fiesta Island Rock Memorial – Kathy Parrish with Fiesta Island Dog Owners (FIDO) requested support/approval to construct and maintain a small 4-foot by 4-foot rock memorial within the fenced area of Fiesta Island where people can place painted rocks in memory of their deceased pets.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by R. Anderson and seconded by G. Ingolia to approve the conceptual proposal for FIDO to construct and maintain a Rock Memorial at the location specified, conforming to all required ADA and construction requirements. The motion carried 7-0

The proposal must be reviewed and approved by Parks and Recreation Assets Management Park Planning section before a Right of Entry Permit is granted. All requirements listed in Park and Recreation Board Policy 1002 – *“Gifts of Architectural Features, Works of Art and Commemorative Plaques for Public Parks or Other City Owned Land”* must be met.

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. **2nd Annual Mission Bay Festival** – Michael Beltran, San Diego Bayfest requested approval to expand the Mission Bay Food & Music Festival at Mariner’s Point/Bonita Cove East to a 2-day event. September 29th and 30th, 2023 with estimated 10,000 attendees.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Johnson and seconded by M. Anderson to approve the revised event for two days limiting capacity to 9000 attendees per day and allowing use of commercial sponsorship advertising within the venue. The motion carried 6-1 (Munoz)

Staff requested no glass or vehicle movement during the event within the venue. Provide additional care to secure extension cords, increase security guards during event times, provide better exit and lighting plans, add direction signage at parking lot and cross walks with additional traffic control. Off-site shuttle required.

302. **Women Empowering Women Car Show** – Lisa Gonzales request use of Crown Point Shores and entire middle parking lot for car show with vendors, food and DJ music on Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. No alcohol or road closures. Estimated attendance is 1500

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by J. Johnson and seconded by G. Ingolia to approve the event for 2023 only and limiting car display participants to 200. The motion carried 7-0

Staff requested: Off-site shuttle or better parking plan required; No alcohol, no dogs, no smoking in the venue at any time, strictly enforced; No vehicles on turf at any time, including DJ and vendors. Must provide adequate clean-up plan. Citywide Special Event permit required.

303. Big Brothers Big Sisters 5K Any Way – Talia Katzir, Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County request use of East Shores of Mission Bay between Mission Bay Beach Club and South Tecolote Park for 5K walk, run, bike, skate, roll event on Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Estimated 200 participants, no alcohol, vendor sales or road closures. PA system for music and announcements.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by G. Ingolia and seconded by J. Johnson to approve the event as presented, not to interfere with Mission Bay Beach Club operations. Park path will remain open to the public. The motion carried 7-0

304. Island Vibe Music Festival – Ed Arguelles, Prime Motivation, Inc. request use of Ski Beach for music festival with alcohol sales on Saturday, May 20, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Estimated attendance is 5200 with PA system for entertainment/performers, vendor sales. The event will be fenced with admission charge. Proposed use of a portion of North Ski Beach Parking lot closure for production vehicles.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by G. Ingolia and seconded by J. Coyne to approve the event as presented for 2023 only. Fire knife dancer must be approved by Risk Management. The motion carried 7-0

Staff requested: No vehicles allowed on the turf at any time. No glass containers, no smoking, no dogs (except for assist animals). Off-site shuttle plan required. All parking in surrounding parking lots will be first come, first serve (open to the public). No reserved or paid parking. All Alcohol Beverage Control requirements must be met. Citywide Special Event Permit required.

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

401. none

INFORMATION ITEMS

501. Mission Bay's California Least Tern updates, Cristina Santa Maria, Conservation Manager, San Diego Audubon Society provided a detailed overview of the conservation efforts underway at Mission Bay as well as least tern

monitoring report. There are grant funding requests for murals in Pacific Beach, a new “Bark Ranger” program, and announced upcoming “Love Your Wetlands Day” on February 4, 2023 and San Diego River Mouth project is looking for docents. [San Diego River Mouth Docent Program : Our work : San Diego Audubon](#)

SUB-COMMITTEE – none

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Munoz adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 @ Santa Clara Recreation Center

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Rodrigues

District Manager, Mission Bay Park