MINUTES

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE May 4, 2021

Meeting Location
ONLINE MEETING via Zoom
Webinar 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
David Potter
Giovanni Ingolia
Marshall Anderson

Members Absent Kari Logan Darlene Walter

Guests
Paul Robinson
Stacey LoMedico
Namara Mercer
Betsey Brennan
Nicole Ueno
Brian Pepin
Bradley Schnell

City Staff Present
Mike Rodrigues
Christina Chadwick
Ryan Barbrick
Brandon Broaddus
Johnny Chou
Andrew Field
Carrie Munson
Rick Romero

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – Chairperson, Judith Munoz, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Mike Rodrigues introduced Judith Munoz as the new Chairperson for the Mission Bay Park Committee, replacing Paul Robinson. Mike welcomed Marshall Anderson as the newest member of the Committee and recognized Paul Robinson for his twelve years of dedicated volunteer service with the Mission Bay Park Committee and presented him with a service award from the Parks and Recreation Department.

Andrew Field, Parks and Recreation Director, thanked and recognized Mr. Robinson with a Proclamation from Mayor Gloria's Office for his years of service with the Mission Bay Park Committee. May 4, 2021 is officially "Paul Robinson Day".

On behalf of Council President Jennifer Campbell, Carrie Munson with City Council District 2 thanked and acknowledged Mr. Robinson for his many years as a Mission Bay Park Committee Member and presented him with a commendation.

Other thanks and appreciation to Paul Robinson came from Stacey LoMedico, former Parks and Recreation Director, Namara Mercer with Mission Bay Lessees Association, Betsey Brennan with SD Downtown Partnership, Brian Pepin with Lincoln Club, Bill Overstreet, Mission Bay Park Maintenance Manager, Christina Chadwick, Developed Regional Park Assistant Deputy Director and David Potter, MBPC Member.

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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – April 6, 2021

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by D. Potter and seconded by R. Anderson to approve the March 2, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried 6-0 with one abstention (Ingolia).

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS

Bradley Schnell with the Playground Agency presented an update for the Mission Bay Beach Club, formally the Old Mission Bay Information Center. It is expected to open in a month or so. Visit https://www.missionbaybeachclub.com/ for more information regarding new dining, refreshment and recreation experiences.

<u>CHAIRPERSONS REPORT</u> – Judith thanked Paul Robinson for his many years of service on the Committee and welcome Marshall Anderson. Judith elected be a voting member on the Mission Bay Park Committee while serving as Chairperson. Judith has many years of experience serving with non-profit organizations and is excited to now serve as Chair for the Mission Bay Park Committee.

<u>CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 OFFICE</u> – Carrie Munson reported that Council Office District 2 has been very busy addressing may hot topics: 1) Last month, Council President Campbell put out a statement regarding the Derek Chauvin Verdict and her relief and hope that justice could be achieved for George Floyd's family. Our City Council will keep working toward equity and justice to create a better San Diego for all; 2) Last week, SDPD and Council President Campbell met with a small business owner Hit or Not Thai in PB whose business had been vandalized twice due to hate crimes. If you or someone you know has been victimized by hate crimes reach out to SDPD. Don't stay silent; 3) CD2 office has established a new COVID-19 Response and Recovery Committee to eliminate COVID-19 and help our economy recover and support safe re-opening of the events industry. Additionally, as a medical doctor, Council President Campbell has helped get the citizens of San Diego vaccinated by volunteering with the Fire-Rescue Department to get shots in arms. In fact, she vaccinated our Mayor and Councilmember Campillo; 4) We are pleased to announce that City Council voted 8-1 in favor of a Short-Term Rental Ordinance and the Mayor has now signed it. This will end uncontrolled growth of STRs, return homes back to the SD housing market and bring peace and tranquility back to our neighborhoods; 5) CD2 office is working with the Mayor's office to create an ordinance to regulate street vendors. We want to create guidelines to keep Mission Bay and our beaches beautiful; 6) Lastly, May is budget hearing month for the 2022 annual budget. Please make note of a special City Council meeting on Monday, May 17 at 6pm for public input. We encourage public engagement through public comment at that meeting or through direct communication with our office. We want to hear from you on priorities for your community.

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STAFF REPORTS

San Diego Lifeguard Service – Lt. Romero reported that swim zones are open with full weekend staffing. Lifeguards are enforcing illegal watercraft rentals and boating safety. The acquisition of the new grant funded Fire Rescue vessel is moving forward. Lifeguards are working on a grant for an abandoned vessel boat and are preparing for a busy Memorial Day weekend.

San Diego Police Department – Officer Broaddus reported that SDPD has re-established the Harbor Unit to assist with water safety on the bay. Northern Division added five new patrol officers and a beach team to provide more weekend staffing in the coastal communities. Overnight RV parking continues as a concern in the beach communities and Santa Clara Point is still a hot spot for illegal activities.

Parks and Recreation Mission Bay Park – District Manager, Mike Rodrigues reported that additional illegal watercraft signs were installed at all boat launch ramps and public docks around Mission Bay. Parks and Recreation was spared from budget cuts in the proposed FY22 City Budget. Grounds Maintenance positions are being filled and preparing for a busy summer. California least tern breeding season is underway with positive reports. MBP is still not issuing park use permits for large gatherings, more direction is expected after June 15. Nighttime curfews for Fanuel St. Park, Mission Bay Athletic Area and PB Library Park will visit City Council on May 25. Adjustment to MBP Dog Hours is heading to City Council Committee in June.

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

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

201. Request support for increased park amenities at Ocean Beach area parks

Nicole Ueno with OB Planning Board presented concept designs for enhanced park amenities at Robb Field and Dusty Rhodes Park.

MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED

A motion was made by G. Ingolia and seconded by R. Anderson to approve enhanced park amenities design concepts for Robb Field and Dusty Rhodes as presented. The motion carried 7–0.

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<u>SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT REVIEW</u>: 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. none

SUB-COMMITTEE - none

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS - none

ADJOURNMENT – Chairperson Munoz adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: June 1, 2021 and 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Rodrigues, District Manager, Mission Bay Park

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