

**MINUTES**  
**City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board**  
**MISSION BAY PARK COMMITTEE**  
**July 9, 2019**

**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-  
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**ATTENDANCE:**

**Members Present**

Paul Robinson  
David Potter  
Darlene Walter  
Ron Anderson  
James McGuirk  
Jeff Johnson

**Members Absent**

Kari Logan  
Chris Redfern  
Giovanni Ingolia

**Staff Present**

Jeff Van Deerlin  
Bill Overstreet

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chairperson Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF June 4, 2019**

**MOTION:    MOVED/SECONDED**

A motion was made by Anderson and seconded by Potter to approve the June 4, 2019 meeting minutes as read. The motion carried (5-0-1)

**NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT / COMMUNICATIONS**

- I have been coming here periodically for 10 or 11 years. About 10 years ago I came here to promote an item called Mission Bay Gateway and that had to do with the De Anza revitalization area, the special study area. Nothing was happening and it was clear that sometime in the near future the people at De Anza would be out and we would be doing some planning. That planning occurred starting around nine years ago and we call it the Mission Bay Gateway plan. It is going through the EIR process, we

consider it a balanced plan. It is a plan that includes the environment, improves the habitat, and improves the recreation and education. I strongly encourage you to take a look at that plan @missionbay.org. The key here is we should not do all of this planning spending millions of dollars and ending up with less than what we have now. Less means, less access to the coast, less access to camping, and facilities. There are a lot of facilities that currently Mission Bay does not have. We do not have an amphitheater, we do not have a skateboard park, we do not have an aquatic center, or sand volleyball center. All these features are included within the Mission Bay Gateway plan. Unlike the City's consultant plan we have identified things like parking, roads, infrastructure, maintenance, deliveries, things that are actually going to have to be on this plan. When you look at the City's consultant plan it doesn't show any roads, doesn't show any maintenance, it doesn't show a lot of facilities and requirements. There is a big reduction in access to camping and low-cost accommodations for overnight stays in the city consultant plan. I strongly urge you to consider that plan, take a look at it, it is probably going to go to City Council in the next year or so.

- I am here as a golfer and I have lived in the bay area since 1976. I think most of us who go to De Anza Cove know about the mobile homes and that they are being removed. We never thought that removing Mission Bay golf course was a possibility. I just learned that going to C3 and Audubon Society meetings. I think that you should look around Mission Bay for spots to replace Campland, that they need to stay with their revenue. You have Ski Beach just across the way, you have a part of Mission Bay that has open space and a boat ramp. You have Sea World parking lot and that model airplane place. You do not have to do everything at Mission Bay. You could have camping at the marshland or where Campland currently is. You can have something like a safari park, you could have something built on stilts or pylons like they did with the new Springs library, it is beautiful. It would be low-cost camping it would not be the RVs. Ski Beach area has a lot of parking spaces and usable land. The proximity to Mission Bay high school is great and the golf course is available and is the most accessible of all the City's golf courses. With it being the way, it is, flat, no matter what age you are going to have access to that. It is low cost for people who did not grow up going to country clubs to play golf. It is accessible to low- and middle-income people. Golf courses are quiet at night and it is good for birds. You could have some marshy land and if you are interested in making some ECO tours of De Anza Cove the golf course

could be a part of that. If you want to have marshy areas and you want to connect areas with little bridges that do not all have to be fairways.

- I just want to handout some information. There is an organizational chart, starting with Parks and Recreation, of who is whose boss and how it works. It has never been known before. The other organizational chart is the Planning Department and it has figures in there where you could tell who works for who. I have both of those charts if anybody wants them.
- I am coming to you from the PB town Council. Over the next four Sundays (July 21 & 28 and August 4 & 11) we are having our Concerts on the Green at Kate Sessions Park. Our next event is P.A.E.S.A.N., Police and Emergency Services Appreciation Night, and it will be on September 25<sup>th</sup> this year. We are honoring Parks and Recreation and all the Park Rangers. They will be our featured recipients this year. We have a list of items that they would like and we are halfway there in getting that done. So please come and say thank you to them. I want to give a shout out to the Parks and Recreation staff for getting the parks cleaned up so quickly after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. It was so quick and so complete and we thank you so very much. As part of our P.A.E.S.A.N. awards this year we are going to do our first ever Rose Marie Starns service award. We will be selecting someone who represents everything that Rose Marie Starns, the mother of Mission Bay, is. I would like to congratulate everybody in getting the De Anza lease done and while I wasn't happy with the process, I am prepared to support Campland in getting the job done and the cleanout quickly. I hope you will closely monitor the income because the projections in the lease agreement were half of what the previous operator brought in. I want to make sure that we are not losing money in the process and that we proceed with due diligence on the planning process and that we all have the opportunity to participate in the RFP process. As a community we are really appreciative of doing that and I want to encourage all of you to see how it happens.
- I am speaking on behalf of myself and I am also past chair of the City of San Diego Municipal Golf Committee and we have been before you in the past. This afternoon, I submitted online a letter to Chairman Robinson and Sara Osborne at the Planning Department making the case again for why the Mission Bay Golf Course should not be part of the planned area. We have made this case before and fortunately the City of San Diego made a good call into 2017 by taking it out of the study group. We have no idea what item 501 is tonight, contentions are to be made by the Audubon Society and its affiliates but we are here to stand up and fight again for preserving Mission Bay Golf Course. We feel that the process you guys

have been involved in for the last two or three years has yielded two alternatives that are perfectly fine. They involve leaving the golf course out of the study area and moving Campland out of where it is now. There are transient occupancy spaces allowed in the area which is now the old mobile home area. In both of your new plans there is space for temporary visitors to enjoy the bay. What we believe has happened is that Campland has become a permanent institution in the bay and we need to get the Campland people to wake up and become users of the temporary space instead of remaining permanent. Campland is an abuse of De Anza Cove. Mission Bay golf course is a gorgeous asset to that Cove. We at the golf course stand ready to be available to partner with the Audubon Society, we have talked about doing an Audubon partnership. So, we would just ask you to back up and go back to the plans you have that do not involve golf course.

- We are here in support of the golf course and concur with what Ann had to say. Mission Bay golf course serves the old, the young, and children of all ages and all economic groups. It is there for beginners and better golfers and we are here to support that.

### **CHAIRPERSONS REPORT**

None

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### **CD2 Joshua Coyne**

I hope everyone had a great Fourth of July weekend. I do not think I had a chance to share the last time I was here in June that Councilmember Campbell signed a memorandum with Councilmember Sherman's office to explore South Shores is an alternative location for nonmotorized watercraft users. So, we will be in communication with the Mayor's office and Parks and Recreation staff to explore that. That is in response to a motion that was made here at this Committee to ensure there was an alternative location for nonmotorized watercraft users. Follow-up to the De Anza item that was heard Council, it was in full support to improve the De Anza lease agreement with the City. I will add that the Councilmember Campbell asked to have a yearly update to the Environment Committee so that we can continue to review the progress on De Anza and to determine how the mobile home clearing is going and how progress is being made. I want to give my appreciation again to the Parks and Recreation staff, Lifeguards, Fire Department, and Police Department for successful Fourth

of July weekend. Our office received just as many complaints about scooters as we did calls in appreciation for Parks and Recreation staff, I wanted to make sure that was well-known.

**Bill Overstreet**

None

**San Diego Lifeguard Service**

None

**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. Requesting approval/recommendation to proceed with initiating the process to prepare an updated SeaWorld Master Plan, presented by Dan Sehlhorst, Director of Design and Engineering SeaWorld and Asha Bleir, Dudek (Consultant).

We are here tonight asking for your recommendation that the Planning Commission initiate our request to update the SeaWorld Master Plan. The current SeaWorld Master Plan was revised by the City Council and the California Coastal Commission in 2002. Most of its proposed projects and development is now complete. As you know, SeaWorld is continually refreshing and updating its attractions and as a result we need a new Master Plan. We are asking for initiation of the SeaWorld Master Plan as part of the Mission Bay Park Master Plan. The Planning Commission needs to initiate any change to that plan even though our application is for SeaWorld only, no other parts of the Mission Bay Park Master Plan are affected. The new SeaWorld Master Plan will undergo full public review including an updated environmental analysis. There will be public hearings before the Mission Bay Park Committee, Planning Commission, City Council, and the California Coastal Commission during the next year

or so. The initiation is just the first step. The Plan will go before you for discussion later in this process. Tonight, however, we ask for your approval for the initiation and look forward to working with you as we move forward with the new plan.

A motion was made by Ingolia and seconded by Anderson to approve the recommendation that the Planning Commission initiate SeaWorld's request to update the SeaWorld Master Plan. The motion carried. (5-0-0 with 1 recusal)

**SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT REVIEW** (Special Events that require road or plaza 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. San Diego Tour de Cure, April 4, 2020 from 6am to 4pm at De Anza Cove. This is a 5K Walk/Run/Cycling event. Cycling begins and ends at De Anza Cove but routes will be primarily outside of the park. There will be amplified music from 8am to 2pm. There will be no alcohol sold or served at this event. It is expected to draw 300 participants and 100 spectators.

Staff Recommendation: To recommend approving event as stated above. Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by the organizer. Notification list will be sent to the organizer if the event gets approval.

**MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED**

A motion was made by McGuirk and seconded by Walter to approve the staff recommendation and approve the event. Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by the organizer. Notification list will be sent to the organizer if the event gets approval. The motion carried. (6-0-0)

302. Kick in To Stop Sarcoidosis, April 18, 2020 from 10am to Noon at Crown Point Park. This is a 5K Walk/Run. There will be amplified music from 10am to noon. There will be no alcohol sold or served at this event. It is expected to draw 150 participants and 25 spectators.

Staff Recommendation: To recommend approving event as stated above. Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by organizer. Notification list will be sent to organizer if event gets approval.

**MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED**

A motion was made by Potter and seconded by McGuirk to approve the staff recommendation and approve the event. Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by the organizer. Notification list will be sent to the organizer if the event gets approval. The motion carried. (6-0-0)

303. 2019 Huntington's Disease Society of America San Diego Chapter Team Hope Walk, October 6, 2019 from 8:30am to 1pm. This is a leisure walk, a family-friendly event, to raise Awareness of Huntington's disease. There will be amplified music from 9:30am to 1pm. There will be no alcohol sold or served at this event. It is expected to draw 175-200 participants.

Staff Recommendation: To recommend approving event as stated above. Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by organizer. Notification list will be sent to organizer if event gets approval.

**MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED**

A motion was made by Walter and seconded by Anderson to approve the staff recommendation and approve the event. Permit will only be valid when all lessees are notified by the organizer. Notification list will be sent to the organizer if the event gets approval. The motion carried. (6-0-0)

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

401. None

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

501. None

**SUB-COMMITTEE**

601. None

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS** - The reports are non-debatable.

**ADJOURNMENT** - Chairperson Robinson adjourned the meeting at 6:27 P.M.

**Notice of Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:** August 6, 2019 @ 6pm  
Santa Clara Recreation Center  
1008 Santa Clara Place  
San Diego, CA 92109

Respectfully Submitted,

*Bill Overstreet*

Bill Overstreet, Grounds Maintenance Manager, Mission Bay Park

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