

CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
NORTH PARK ADVISORY GROUP

MINUTES
September 23, 2019

Meeting Held at:

North Park Recreation Center
4044 Idaho Street
San Diego, CA 92104

ATTENDANCE

Lynn Elliott - Chairperson
Ricky Franchi - Cali Soccer
Michael Nichols - VAVI
Mario Olmos - NP Fit
Ben West - AYSO
Jody Surowiec - Resident

Guest:

George Rosules - US Census Burel

City Staff

Jay Villanueva, North Park Center Director III
Ivanna Pozo, Assistant Center Director - Absent
Michele Chicarelli, Area Manager II
Brett Weise, Council District 3 Representative

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Lynn Elliot called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: It was moved/seconded (Ricky Franchi/Jody Surowiec) to approve August 2019 minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0-0).

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES -None

COMMUNICATIONS - George Rosules from the US Census spoke about opportunities for community outreach members. They are offering jobs with good pay for the community. He left fliers at local schools, libraries and recreation centers. He looks forward to community members who are looking for job opportunities to reach out to him.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT - No Report

ORGANIZATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS

San Diego Police/Community Relations Officer - No Report

City Council District 3 Representative - Brett Wise Reported two updates that were recently approved from the City Council. The first update is the City Council voted to enter a new energy program along with four other city governments. With this program the City of San Diego will have more power and flexibility to determine what kind of source of energy we get including solar vs nuclear. The second update was the city council voted 5-3 in support for affordable housing units throughout San Diego County. The City Council will be hosting an

event on October 17th from 5:30-7:00 pm with City Council Members who will be present to answer any city related questions or concerns you'd like to ask. This event is free, and everyone is welcome.

CPII Parks and Recreation Area Committee – Lynn Elliot reported: The big issue that came up in the meeting was City Recreation staff need a pay increase. Another issue is the City of San Diego is experiencing a shortage of Life Guards.

VAVI – Michael Nichols reported: Things are going well here at North Park. They would like to discuss options with staff to keep their equipment locked in our field shed.

AYSO – Ben West reported: Things are running smooth.

California Soccer League – Ricky Franchi reported his leagues have been running smooth with no issues.

North Park Fit Camp – Mario Olmos His numbers are starting to build for his fit camps here at North Park.

PARK AND RECREATION STAFF REPORTS

Center Director- Jay Villanueva

- We are geared up for our 2019 Flag football season. We currently have two full Pee Wee and 12 under football teams signed up.
- We are ready for our annual Halloween Circus event being held October 4th, 2019. We are partnering with the Fern Street Circus and offering tons of giveaways and fun activities for the community.
- Our Basketball camp is growing fast, and I'd like to give kudos to our staff Jamaal Branch for going above and beyond.

AREA MANAGER II – Michele Chicarelli

- Maintenance staff are continuing to pick up trash in the parks and do the best they can to keep our parks looking good. Safety is our first concern before picking up trash. We need to make sure the playground sand is clean and there are no safety hazards around the park.
- The dumpster street area was fixed and repaved.
- We met with Smorgasburg regarding having a weekly food market at North Park on Saturdays starting next summer. They are willing work with us under our terms and proposed days. We agreed to do a three-month trial period to see if this works for our community.

ACTION ITEMS – None

WORKSHOP ITEMS -None

ADJOURNMENT -There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 24, 2019 at 6:00 pm

North Park Recreation Center

4044 Idaho Street, San Diego, CA 92104, (619) 235-1152

Jose Villanueva

Respectfully Submitted,
Jose Villanueva, Center Director III

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Reviewed by;
Michele Chicarelli, Area Manager II

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