

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

MINUTES  
January 25, 2020  
ZOOM Meeting

**ATTENDANCE**

Lynn Elliott - Chairperson  
Ricky Franchi - Absent  
Mike Nichols - Absent  
Jody Surowiec - Member  
Beryl Forman (The Boulevard) Member

**Guest**

Morie Williams - T3 Arts  
Keith Lombardo - NPLL  
Mark Hopkins - AYSO

**City Staff**

Jay Villanueva, North Park Center Director III  
Michele Chicarelli, Area Manager II  
Ryan Darsey, Council District 3 Representative

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Lynn Elliot called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** It was moved/seconded (Lynn Elliott/Beryl Forman) to approve November minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (3-0-0).

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES** - None

**COMMUNICATIONS** - None

**CHAIRPERSON REPORT** - No report

**ORGANIZATION/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council District 3 Representative Ryan Darsey reported:

We are working with the Mayor's office along with San Diego Gas & Electric with getting our Districts Franchise Agreement forms out to local businesses as soon as possible. The programs zoom presentations will be held on February 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm and February 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm. More information will be sent out on how to register to get the zoom meeting links. Member Stephen Whitburn wrote a memorandum last week to Mayor Todd Gloria, asking him to sign an Executive Order to put a cap to reduce the cost of third-party food deliveries down to 15% to help businesses. The Mayor signed the Executive Order.

**VAVI** - No Report

**North Park Little League** - Keith Lombardo reported:

We are trying to get a youth group together to begin practices on the field. I will give you an update next meeting with our numbers of sign ups.

**AYSO** –Mark Hopkins reported:

We are still offering our youth soccer program trainings from ages 6-18 and hope to get a group on the field sometimes soon.

**T3 Arts** – Morie Williams reported:

Looking forward to our facilities opening safely soon. In the meantime, we are interested in using our local parks to run acting and dancing clinics if guidelines are met and restrictions are lifted. Michele Chicarelli replied as of now we are not allowing park permits in the park; as soon as restrictions are lifted, Jay will reach out to you.

**California Soccer League**–No Report

**The Boulevard** – Beryl forman reported:

The outdoor seating areas are open for business on El Cajon Boulevard. As of now, our annual Mardi Gras event is still happening on February 16<sup>th</sup> and we are hoping for a great turnout. Our food distribution program is still going on during the week. We can use another volunteer on Wednesday's from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. please help spread the word. The Boulevard was proud to award 25 people who have been great partners this past year.

#### **PARK AND RECREATION STAFF REPORTS**

Center Director III- Jose Villanueva

The community parks in our area are still currently closed to the public with an exception of our playground and ball field. As Michele mentioned we are moving forward into virtual online programming. We purchased an IPAD and other items to help us with our virtual programming. Next month as registration begins, I will give everyone an update.

AREA MANAGER II – Michele Chicarelli – One of our Park Grounds Maintenance Workers was promoted and moved to a different department. Our Recreation Leaders have stepped up along with Center Director Jay in covering our parks maintenance until we bring in a new Grounds Maintenance Worker. We are now moving forward into running virtual programming soon. Next month we will give you an update on how the programs moving along.

**ACTION ITEMS** - None

#### **WORKSHOP ITEMS**

1. North Park Fitness Grant

Beryl suggested to take off the North Park fitness equipment grant from the agenda due to health concerns and our current pandemic. The Community Recreation Group (CRG) agreed and would like to focus on the outdoor soccer field proposal.

2. North Park CIP List – Outdoor Soccer Field

The Community Recreation Group (CRG) was able to review the proposal prepared by Beryl. The CRG agreed at the next meeting to discuss ideas on how to get the word out to the community so they can get involved with the soccer proposal workshop item. Michele Chicarelli recommended the CRG continue to work on the proposal to address community concerns that might arise. The CRG agreed to work on the proposal at the next meeting before sharing with the public. Once its shared with the community as a workshop item, CRG may get feedback from neighbors both positive and negative.

Ryan Darsey is onboard to assist the CRG and will continue to pass on this information to Council Districts 3 office. One question that was brought up during this meeting was the concern of safety where the land of the Senior Center is currently located, is it safe? The CRG would like to gather information on the history of a land study for this area if possible, even to see if it would accommodate a new soccer facility. Another idea that was brought up by the committee was to get surveys out to the community. The CRG will come up with ideas on how to get the surveys out into the community at the next meeting. The proposal will be added as a workshop item next month. Once its approved from the CRG, it will be added as an action item.

3. Proposal to write a letter to the parks and recreation administration to express the disappointment with the loss of defunds that were supposed to go back into our neighborhood park instead of Balboa Park.

**ADJOURNMENT** -There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR ZOOM MEETING**

Monday, February 22, 2020 at 6:00 pm  
(619) 235-1152

*Jose Villanueva*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jose Villanueva, Center Director III

*MChicarelli*

Reviewed by,  
Michele Chicarelli, Area Manager II

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