

CITY OF SAN DIEGO
 PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
Pacific Highlands Ranch Community Recreation Group
September 14, 2021
Minutes

Meeting Location:

The regular meeting of the Pacific Highlands Ranch Community Recreation Group was held virtually through ZOOM at 6:00pm on Tuesday September 14, 2021 and was hosted by the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department Staff.

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| <p>Members Present: Karen Dubey – Chairperson Marilee Pacelli – Secretary Trent Tracy – Football N America Todd Alcantara – SD Youth Rugby Manoharan Rangaswamy – Member at Large Eve Yang – Member at Large Abby Xu – Member at Large Shirley Yao – Member at Large</p> <p>Members Absent: Vlad Kroutik – Vice Chairperson Kelly McDonald – DMCV Sharks Chris Stuart- Football N America Tedd Ekeroth – Master Sports Orly Segal – Borussia Del Mar Jen Bolger-Member at Large Maria Videla – Member at Large</p> | <p>City Staff: Angel Castro, Area Manager II Lauren Tufts Mirro, Asst. Recreation Center Director</p> <p>Guest:</p> |
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CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Karen Dubey at 6:13pm

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES June 8, 2021

MOTION: **MOVED/SECONDED** **Ms. Pacelli/Mr. Alcantara**

A motion was made by Marilee Pacelli and seconded by Todd Alcantara to approve the June 8, 2021 Pacific Highlands Ranch Community Recreation Group Meeting minutes. The motion was approved 6-0. (Shirley Yao was not present for the vote)

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:

Eve Yang:

Eve requested that sunshades be added to the upper gym windows because of the sun causing problems with Badminton play. Angel stated that there could be maintenance problems with mechanical sunshades. Heavy tinting and blacking out the windows were also discussed.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES: None.

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT: None.

BOARDMEMEMBER COMMENTS: None.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

Angel Castro - AREA MANAGER II:

Anna was promoted Area Manager for Downtown and NTC parks in the Point Loma area. Center Director interviews took place over the last week. In 3 weeks, we will have a new Center Director.

The Movie in the Park at Pacific Highlands Ranch is on October 8. The movie is Soul. Sports groups please have booths at the event. Council Representative Joe La Cava will have a booth.

The Recreation Center is now open for limited hours.

The site is very short staffed of both Recreation Leaders (RL1s) and Grounds Maintenance Workers (GMWs). There is currently only one GMW assigned for the entire park.

We will begin permitting the school field at Pacific Trails Middle School. Our permissible hours are 6am till 30 minutes before school start and starting again 30 minutes after school ends.

Vandalism has been occurring regularly at Torrey Meadows park. It takes the GMWs 3 to 3.5 hours to clean after every occurrence.

Karen stated that the vandalism is disappointing and that next meeting the agenda will include a letter to the City requesting cameras be added to the new Pacific Highlands Ranch East Park.

The Security Guard at Pacific Highlands Ranch Community Park has cut down the vandalism and fence jumping into the pump track and skate plaza. The security is currently on site from 8pm till 6am weekdays and 8pm to 8am weekends.

The new park is at 60%

We hope to get a volunteer group together soon to assist with weeds. The last weed spray was 10 months ago.

Three-inch wood stakes, to correct the leaning trees in the park, have been ordered but are currently on backorder.

Lauren Mirro - ASSISTANT RECREATION CENTER DIRECTOR:

No Report

INFORMATION ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Naming of the new park currently known as McGonigle Canyon Neighborhood Park.
 - The group went through a ranking process and review of previously proposed park names and settled on "Solterra Vista".

MOTION: **MOVED/SECONDED** **Ms. Yang /Mr. Rangaswamy**

A motion was made by Eve Yang and seconded by Manoharan Rangaswamy to name the park Solterra Vista Neighborhood Park. The motion was approved 6-0. (Shirley Yao was not present for the vote)

2. Letter to the City to consider retaining security guard company for the pump track and park.
 - The group discussed the contents of the letter and who it would be sent to.

MOTION: **MOVED/SECONDED** **Ms. Yang /Mr. Rangaswamy**

A motion was made by Eve Yang and seconded by Manoharan Rangaswamy to send a letter (see attachment) to the City to consider retaining security guard company for the pump track and park. The motion was approved 6-0. (Shirley Yao was not present for the vote)

Shirley Yao, Member at Large, joined the meeting.

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:41pm

Next Meeting: The next Pacific Highlands Ranch Community Recreation Group meeting will be held virtually through ZOOM at 6:00pm on Tuesday, December 14, 2021.

SUBMITTED BY: _____

Lauren Tufts Mirro
Assistant Recreation Center Director

REVIEWED BY: _____

Angel Castro
Area Manager II

September 14, 2021

Dear Mr. Field,

The trial period of having overnight security at the PHR Community Park Pump Track has been successful at eliminating vandalism and unauthorized entry (with the associated noise) to the pump track during closed hours. Therefore we recommend that the City of San Diego continue this program on an ongoing basis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen S. Dubey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Karen Dubey

Chair

Pacific Highlands Ranch Community Recreation Group

cc: Joe LaCava, City of San Diego Council District 1

Todd Gloria, City of San Diego Mayor

Angel Castro, City of San Diego Parks

Karen Billings, Carmel Valley News