

**City of San Diego  
Park and Recreation Board  
Minutes  
Thursday, June 20, 2019**

*“TO PROVIDE HEALTHY, SUSTAINABLE, AND ENRICHING ENVIRONMENTS FOR ALL”*

**Meeting Held at:**

Balboa Park Club Ballroom  
2150 Pan American Road West  
San Diego, CA 92101

**Mailing Address is:**

City of San Diego  
202 C Street, MS 37C  
San Diego, CA 92101

**Members Present**

Katherine Johnston, Chair  
Nick Anastasopoulos  
Jon Becker  
Marcella Bothwell  
Ron Cho  
Rick Gulley  
Bobby Hughes  
Dennis Otsuji  
Noli Zosa

**Members Absent**

David Baron  
(excused)

**City Staff Present**

Herman D. Parker, Director  
Andrew Field, Assistant Director  
James Arnhart  
Francis Barraza  
Jody Cheung  
Nancy Graham  
Alex Hardy  
Maricris Lumibao  
Bruce Martinez  
Barbara Nielsen  
Kevin Oliver  
Marilyn Stern  
Shelly Stowell  
Heidi Vonblum  
Becky Yzaguirre

**CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Chair Johnston at 2:03 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2019**

**MOTION:**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

**Ms. Johnston /Mr. Hughes**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnston and seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the May 16, 2019, Park and Recreation Board Meeting minutes. The motion was approved 8-0-1 and passed by the following vote; Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Dennis Otsuji, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Ron Cho, Rick Gulley, Bobby Hughes and Noli Zosa. Nay: (None). Recused: (None). Abstained: Chair Johnston. Not Present: David Baron.

**NON-ADOPTION AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Board. (Comments relating to items on today's Agenda are to be taken at the time the item is heard.) Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes and is not debatable unless part of an organized group presentation whereby time is ceded to main speaker.

**REQUEST FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA**

**102. Naming of Jennifer Jones Nature Exploration Area at Gershwin Neighborhood Park**

Presenter: Marilyn Stern, District Manager, Parks and Recreation Department

**MOTION: MOVED/SECONDED Ms. Johnston/Mr. Becker**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnston and seconded by Mr. Becker to recommend approval of Action Item 102, Naming of Jennifer Jones Nature Exploration Area at Gershwin Neighborhood Park. The motion was approved 8-0-0 and passed by the following vote; Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Dennis Otsuji, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Ron, Cho, Rick Gulley, Bobby Hughes, Chair Johnston and Noli Zosa. Nay: (None). Recused: (None). Abstained: (None). Not Present: David Baron

The Chair may entertain a motion by any Board member to approve any agenda item as consent when no speaker slips have been submitted in favor or in opposition to the item. Items approved on consent are approved in accordance with staff's recommendation as reflected on the agenda and described in the Staff Report to the Park and Recreation Board, unless otherwise noted in the motion. At this time the Board may consider adoption of one or more items on the adoption agenda as "Consent" items.

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE** – None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Community Parks I Area Committee – No Report

Community Parks II Area Committee – No Report

Balboa Park Committee

- Chair Johnston reported that the City had released a request for proposal for Inspiration Point. There was going to be a Public Workshop on July 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm. She invited others to attend at the War Memorial Building.

Mission Trails Regional Task Force – No Report

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT** – None

**BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS** - None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Herman Parker mentioned that Parks and Recreation Department was now ready for the summer activities. The pools are now open as well as the Recreation Centers and would like to welcome the public to all the activities. The Director also announced his retirement and was thankful for a wonderful thirty five year career in public service that included a five year career as the Director with the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Department.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- 101. Olive Street Park – General Development Plan and AIDS Memorial**  
Presenter: Kevin Oliver, Associate Engineer, Public Works Department

The presentation outlined the following:

- Background
- Discussion
- Project Description
- Requested Action

Speakers (6) – In favor

Jim Frost spoke in favor of Action Item 101.  
Susan Jester spoke in favor of Action Item 101, with time ceded  
Jim Cassidy ceded his time to Susan Jester  
Shannon Wagner ceded her time to Susan Jester  
Leo Wilson spoke in favor of Action Item 101  
Stephanie Estrada spoke in favor of Action Item 101

Additional emails and correspondence submitted to the Park and Recreation Board are attached to these minutes.

**MOTION:      MOVED/SECONDED   Ms. Johnston/Ms. Bothwell**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnston and seconded by Ms. Bothwell to recommend approval of Action Item 101, Olive Street Park – General Development Plan and AIDS Memorial. The motion was approved 9-0-0 and passed by the following vote; Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Dennis Otsuji, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Ron Cho, Rick Gulley, Bobby Hughes, Chair Johnston and Noli Zosa. Nay: (None). Recused: (None). Abstained: (None). Not Present: David Baron

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**201. Security Services at Parks**

Presenters: Andrew Field, Assistant Director,  
Parks and Recreation Department  
Bruce Martinez, Deputy Director,  
Parks and Recreation Department

The presentation outlined the following:

- Background
- Discussion
- Information

**202. Parks and Recreation Equity Report**

Presenters: Herman D. Parker, Director,  
Parks and Recreation Department  
Andrew Field, Assistant Director,  
Parks and Recreation Department  
Shelly Stowell, Program Manager,  
Parks and Recreation Department

The presentation outlined the following:

- Background
- Discussion
- Report Information

**WORKSHOP** – None

**ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Copies of the reports, audio and PowerPoint presentations can be found on the Parks and Recreation Department website at <http://www.sandiego.gov/parkandrecboard/reports>

**Next Calendared Meeting:**

July 18, 2019  
Balboa Park Club Ballroom  
2150 Pan American Road West  
San Diego, CA 92101

Submitted by,

Andrew Field  
Interim Director  
Parks and Recreation Department