

**City of San Diego
Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 20, 2023**

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

Meeting Held by In Person and Teleconference:

This meeting was held at the Balboa Park Club Ballroom and remotely using the Zoom Webinar platform and was streamed online. The public was invited to join the meeting by phone or computer, as well as invited to submit “Public Comments” in writing via a webform. The form was made available on the Parks and Recreation website at <https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/general-info/boards>.

NOTE: Both verbal and written communication were used by Committee Members, City staff, and presenters during the meeting. City staff also used the screen-share function to allow viewers to view content shared by the speaker which included PowerPoint presentations and websites.

Before the meeting was called to order, City staff read instructions to the public regarding technical procedures for making live public comment during the webinar.

Members Present	Members Absent	City Staff Present
Nick Anastasopoulos- In-Person	Molly Chase	Andy Field – In-Person
Jon Becker- In-Person	Pita Verdin	Tom Tomlinson – In-Person
Marcella Bothwell (Chair) – In-Person		Louis Merlin – In-Person
Shaina Gross – Virtual		Ryan Barbrick – In-Person
Rick Gulley- In-Person		Erika Ferreira – In-Person
Dennis Otsuji (Vice Chair) – In-Person		Shamli Tarbell – In-Person
Evelyn Smith – In-Person		Sanna Loando – In-Person
René Smith – In-Person		Lin Keiser-Hua – In-Person
		Scott Sandel – In-Person
		Kelly Stanco – In-Person
		Michele Kelly – In-Person
		Martha Acosta – In-Person
		Gabby Verendia – In-Person
		Elvi Ricafort – In-Person

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by Chair Marcella Bothwell at 2:05 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2023

MOTION/SECONDED:

Mr. Anastasopoulos/Mr. Gulley

A motion was made by Mr. Anastasopoulos and seconded by Mr. Gulley to approve the March 16, 2023, Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes. The motion was approved 7-0-1 and passed unanimously with the following vote: Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Rick Gulley, Dennis Otsuji, Rene Smith, and Evelyn Smith. Recused: None. Abstained: Shaina Gross. Not Present: Molly Chase and Pita Verdin.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MINUTES: None

NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT:

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Michael Beltran	Mr. Beltran is the festival promoter for Mission Bayfest 2022. He could not bring spirits in glass bottles due to City regulations and asked the Board to consider allowing events in City parks to allow glass containers if they are kept behind the bars and away from general attendees. Alternatively, he asked whether this matter could be referred to the City Council to clarify and define what type of “permits” stated in San Diego Municipal Code Section 63.0102 (b)(7) will allow festival organizers to use glass.
Steve Wealth	Mr. Wealth asked why the main public bathroom at DeAnza Cove has not been rebuilt after a fire last year. This restroom is used by thousands of San Diegans and needs rebuilding. Portable toilets do not suffice.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Topic:	Summary of Updates:
Area Committee Community Parks I	Mr. Otsuji noted that there was no meeting of the area committee for Community Parks I.
Area Committee Community Parks II	Mr. Smith noted that there was no meeting of the area committee for Community Parks II.
Balboa Park Committee	Ms. Chase was absent, so there was no report.
Mission Trails Citizens Advisory Committee	Mr. Gulley reported that there was no meeting since the last report in March.

SAN DIEGO PARKS FOUNDATION (SDPF) UPDATE:

Chair Bothwell shared the following updates:

Topic:	Update:
San Diego Parks Foundation	<p>Ms. Or Chair Bothwell reported that I Love My Park Day is coming on May 13, 2023. On this day, several activities are planned to celebrate San Diego’s parks at four locations. Information on I Love My Park Day can be found on the San Diego Parks Foundation webpage at https://www.sandiegoparksfoundation.org/upcomingevents/i-love-my-park-day.</p> <p>Chair Bothwell also reported that Parks After Dark is resuming this summer at four locations. In addition to parks in City Heights, Linda Vista, and Skyline Hills, the program will feature the addition of Memorial Community Park in Logan Heights. The first Parks After Dark events at these four parks are scheduled on July 6, 2023.</p>

CHAIR COMMENTS: Chair Bothwell provided the Board with the following comments:

Chair Bothwell asked the fellow board members to provide her with comments related to the ongoing request to update the Board’s bylaws consistent with an information item last month. This item will return to the Board as an action item later this year.

The California Parks and Recreation Society (CPRS) Conference in early April was very informative with numerous park staff from across the State of California attending. Chair Bothwell noted that this was a great opportunity to learn much about other park systems and how many of them have the same issues and concerns as in San Diego.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: No board member comments were received.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Mr. Field provided the Board with the following updates:

Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Board

- On Tuesday April 25, the City Council will hear appointing Daniele Laman as a new Parks and Recreation Board member
- This will fill the Board’s final vacancy
- Most board members interested have already submitted their applications for reappointment, for those who have not done so, board members may continue to sign up

Budget Update

The Mayor released the proposed budget on April 14, 2023, and Item 203 has a presentation later today to share the highlights. On April 24, 2023, at 12 noon, the City Council will hear the proposed budget presentation from Mayor Gloria and his team. The Parks and Recreation Department budget hearing will be on May 4, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

Community and Neighborhood Services (CNS) Committee

Concurrent with the Board meeting this afternoon, the CNS Committee has several park agenda items today: Animal Services Contract, Age Friendly San Diego, and a batch of joint use agreements with the San Diego Unified School District.

City Career Fair

- The City held a career fair in the Balboa Park Club on March 22, 2023. Thousands of people attended, hundreds were interviewed, and dozens were given job offers. Many potential new employees are currently in the backgrounding process, including several in Parks and Recreation Department.

Future Board Items: Mr. Field noted the following pending items for future Board meetings:

- “101” Introduction to Park Board Workshop, including:
 - Board Policies Review
 - Department Overview Presentation
- Animal Services/Dog Off Leash Update from SD Humane
- Childcare on dedicated parkland (Measure H 2022/Charter Section 55)
- Chollas Creek Regional Park Master Plan Update
- Community and Neighborhood Services Committee Work Plan Update
- Constant Contact
- Department of Real Estate and Airports Management Overview including leases
- Fiesta Island Master Plan Update (information can be found here: <https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/programs/parkplanning/fiesta-island>)
- Pickleball and Tennis Update from Advocate Groups
- Restroom Condition Assessment and Maintenance
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Board Member Questions of P&R Director: The Board Members did not have any requests of the director.

CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

101. Proposed Renaming of Undeveloped Southwest Neighborhood Park to Grove Neighborhood Park

Presenters: Dotty Giffen, Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group
Albert Hara, Area Manager, Parks and Recreation Department

102. Proposed Fiesta Island Dog Owners (FIDO) Rock Memorial in Mission Bay Park

Presenters: Michael Candra, Board Member, Fiesta Island Dog Owners
Jean Spengel, Fiesta Island Dog Owners

MOVED/SECONDED: Mr. Otsuji/Mr. Becker

A motion was made by Mr. Otsuji and seconded by Mr. Becker to approve the consent agenda including Items 101 and 102 (and Item 103 returned to staff). The Board approved the motion unanimously 8-0-2 and passed with the following vote: Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Shaina Gross, Rick Gulley, Dennis Otsuji, Evelyn Smith, and René Smit. Recused: None. Abstained: None. Not Present: Molly Chase, and Pita Verdin.

Public Comment on Item #101: None

Board Comment on Item #101: None

Public Comment on Item #102:

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Michael Canter	There was a public comment from Michael Canter from Fiesta Island Dog Owners (FIDO). Mr. Canter requested a memorial for pets who have crossed the rainbow bridge (passed away). There was an older memorial that has since been removed. The memorial has unanimous approval from the Mission Bay Park Committee with design assistance from Project Officer Charlie Daniels. FIDO hopes to take stewardship for the memorial once built. There were no board members comments on this matter.
Steve Wealth	Mr. Wealth asked why the main public bathroom at DeAnza Cove has not been rebuilt after a fire last year. This restroom is used by thousands of San Diegans and needs rebuilding. Portable toilets do not suffice.

Board Comment on Item #102: None

ACTION ITEMS:

104. Allied Gardens Community Park Proposed General Development Plan Amendment for Dog Off-Leash Area

Presenters: Sanna Loando, Council Representative/Policy Advisor, City Council
District 7
Shamli Tarbell, Park Designer, Parks and Recreation Department

MOVED/SECONDED: Mr. Otsuji/Mr. Becker

A motion was made by Mr. Otsuji and seconded by Mr. Becker to approve the staff recommendation for approving Allied Gardens Dog Off Leash Area in Allied Gardens Community Park in the proposed location adjacent to the swimming pool and library. The Board approved the motion unanimously 8-0-2 and passed with the following vote: Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Shaina Gross, Rick Gulley, Dennis Otsuji, Evelyn Smith, and René Smit. Recused: None. Abstained: None. Not Present: Molly Chase, and Pita Verdin.

Public Comment on Item #104:

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Shain B. Haug	Mr. Haug supports a dog off leash area in Allied Gardens. He noted the long-standing reluctance of Parks and Recreation to establish off-leash dog parks and its insistence on an almost impossible criteria for creation of such an area. However, this action allows Allied Gardens to bypass that resistance and to bring much-needed asset to the community. Without this amenity, dog owners will continue to violate the law and will continue to deny the community the use of parkland.
Gerhard Oertelt	Mr. Oertelt supports a dog off leash area. He stated that Allied Gardens has been in desperate need of an off-leash dog park. It is a community with one of the highest dog populations in the county, and yet there is no proper public off-leash park to socialize our dogs in all of Council District 7. Such an off-leash park will greatly reduce dog feces and urination on joint use fields
Carol Lee	Ms. Lee noted that dog off leash areas are important for those lived in multi-family residential areas of the City, since those areas typically don't have backyards or large patios for dogs to exercise.
April Grant	Ms. Grant indicated this new dog off leash area would be a welcome addition to the community, especially since there has not been an off-leash park in Allied Gardens.
Mary Bontorin	Ms. Bontorin supports a dog off leash area since the population of Allied Gardens has grown, and the number of residents with dogs has also increased
Patty Richardson	Ms. Richardson thanked the Board for considering an off-leash dog park at Allied Gardens Park. She worked to find a solution that is beneficial for dog owners as well as safe for recreation activities. She believes an off-leash dog park at Allied Gardens Community Park would be beneficial to the community. She thanked Sanna Loando from the Office of Councilmember Raul Campillo for her time and effort on this project.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Anne Wright	Ms. Wright supports the new dog off leash facility. She shared her story from seven years ago where her beagle was attacked by a couple of akitas who went off leash. The beagle did not survive. She hopes the new Allied Gardens dog off leash area can be a safe space for dogs and their owners for years to come. The beagle did not survive. She hopes the new Allied Gardens dog off leash area can be a safe space for dogs and their owners for years to come.
Anonymous Commenter	An anonymous commenter stated that pups and dogs of Allied Gardens deserve a space to play. Dog parks encourage community involvement. Residents of Allied Gardens can improve their community by being involved in setting new policies.
Deirdre Kleske	Ms. Kleske indicated her support for an off-leash dog park in Allied Gardens. This area would provide more than just a place for our dogs to run but also a much-needed social space for our residents, especially the many older residents in our area. She noted support for a natural grass surface, spaces for larger and smaller dogs, lights for evening use, and access to a water spigot.
Marcelle Egley	Ms. Egley from Beyond Leashes noted that the group conducted a survey that revealed that a specific off leash dog park is desperately need in the Allied Gardens community. Her hope is that the new off leash area would keep our dogs off the sports fields and joint use fields. She indicated dog owners will do their part to keep the off leash area clean and safe.
Maria Branco	Ms. Branco indicated that Allied Gardens would greatly benefit having an off-leash dog park, which would provide a safe place for dogs to exercise and socialize. These items help not just the dogs but also the owners.
John Coffman	Mr. Coffman stated that Allied Gardens would benefit greatly by adding an off-leash dog park in the community. Having a dedicated dog off leash area will reduce the use of sports fields and joint use areas for dogs running off leash.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Elizabeth Branco	Ms. Branco Heineman indicated that Allied Gardens is in desperate need of a dog park. Dog owners are currently forced to use the sports fields for a space to let dogs out to run around.
Martin Marcus	Mr. Marcus is from Twilight Dog Walkers in Allied Gardens. He spoke in favor of the proposed dog park.
L. Braff	Mx. Braff stated they oppose the proposed location and recommend using the Rancho Canyon Mission Park site.
Natalie Osbourne	Ms. Osbourne lent her support to the proposed location for a community dog off leash area. It will be a great community asset.
Matthew Jacobsen	Mr. Jacobsen is a resident bordering the proposed area of the off-leash dog park. He opposes the location where it is to be constructed. It does not provide sufficient distance from residences (only 50 feet from the edge of the area to the edge of resident properties), and it will bring unwanted nuisance and disruption to the neighborhood. There are also neighboring residents who have been bitten by dogs in this park, and due to this have a fear of dogs or cannot use the area for enjoyment. This off-leash area will bring dogs from early morning until late evening and will decrease quality of life for park neighbors. I am in favor of the park in general, but the proposed location at Allied Gardens Park is not a good choice. He recommended an alternate location elsewhere in Allied Gardens Park that is roughly equal in space
Aaron (Zoom Commenter)	Aaron noted that the majority of speakers is in favor.
Missy (Zoom Commenter)	Missy noted the importance of the community creating off leash dog parks since one of three residents in Allied Gardens have a dog.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Sunny Kim (Zoom Commenter)	Ms. Kim noted the proposal is great news for dogs who need room to exercise.
Henry Winkler (Zoom Commenter)	Mr. Winkler noted it is very important to have a dog park in the Allied Gardens neighborhood.
Diedre (Zoom Commenter)	Diedre stated that dogs do not bark at other dogs. They are too busy having fun.

Board Member Comment:

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Ms. Gross	Ms. Gross noted that the site is already used for dogs. Ms. Gross noted the mitigation efforts to reduce dust and maintain a 40-foot buffer.
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji asked if this park is being designed in house? Ms. Tarbell responded yes. He then asked if a landscape architect is assisting with the general development plan amendment? Ms. Tarbell responded that she is a licensed landscape architect. Mr. Otsuji noted that this could be an alternative way to get projects done more quickly. Mr. Otsuji then asked that the chain link fence be coated to protect the dogs. Ms. Tarbell noted the fence will have fabric to cover the four-foot fence. Mr. Otsuji suggested that the height of the fence may not be sufficient to prevent dogs jumping over.
Mr. Becker	Mr. Becker thanked the staff and asked if the site would be maintained by the Parks and Recreation Department? Ms. Tarbell stated yes, it would. Mr. Becker noted the fence height seems low and suggested ways to mitigate the sound of the dog off-leash area and noted the separation of the dog off leash area from the adjacent pool.

- 105. Willie Henderson Sports Complex Proposed General Development Plan Amendment**
Presenters: Lin Kieser-Hua, Park Designer, Engineering & Capital Projects Department
Jeff Justus, Technical Principal/Partner, Schmidt Design Group

MOVED/SECONDED: Ms. Gross/Mr. Becker

A motion was made by Ms. Gross and seconded by Mr. Becker to approve the staff recommendation for Willie Henderson Sports Complex Proposed General Development Plan Amendment. The Board approved the motion unanimously 8-0-2 and passed with the

following vote: Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Shaina Gross, Rick Gulley, Dennis Otsuji, Evelyn Smith, and René Smit. Recused: None. Abstained: None. Not Present: Molly Chase, and Pita Verdin.

Public Comment on Item #105:

Committer Name:	Summary of Comments:
Scott Andrews	Mr. Andrews spoke about the needs for sports fields generally and is glad to see sports fields are incorporated into the redesign of Willie Henderson Sports Complex. He noted that equity is a concern for sports participation, especially when some club soccer organizations can be expensive. He noted that youth sports should be accommodated in a variety of ways by offering a blend of sports including lacrosse, flag football, and soccer.

Board Member Comment:

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Smith	Mr. Smith is very pleased with the park plan that is thoughtful for the small children and nearby apartments. Renovation of Willie Henderson Sports Complex is overdue especially given the number of kids living there.
Mr. Anastasopoulos	Mr. Anastasopoulos asked why there were two negative votes at the community recreation group. Mr. Justus responded that both members wanted to see the park improvements all happen at once rather than in phases, even though there is no funding to cover the cost of delivering the entire park upgrade at once time.
Mr. Becker	Mr. Becker likes the work done by Mr. Justus. He asked whether the streets were vacated within Willie Henderson Sports Complex. Mr. Justus stated that yes, they were vacated, and historically, this was done when the Interstate 805 freeway was built to the east of the park. He noted the goal of the park redesign is to honor the community's history, both before and after the freeway construction. Mr. Becker then asked about the number of electric vehicle charging stations planned for Willie Henderson Sports Complex. Mr. Justus responded about 10% are for electric vehicle charging.

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji praised the design and noted the proximity to other nearby parks and Lincoln High School on the east side of Interstate 805. The funding of this park itself would be simpler if the entire park can be built at once rather than phasing the project into pieces. This can be informative for the Citywide Park Development Impact Fee and its potential to fund this project in full.
Mr. Smith	Mr. Smith appreciates the tribute and honor to the community. He noted there is an art component. Mr. Justus noted that Chuck Miller from Arts and Culture attended the public meeting and noted the process for the public art, which is separate from the general development plan process.
Ms. Bothwell	Ms. Bothwell noted the need to activate the park. The recreation center is not acceptable in its current form. She appreciates the planning to build an aquatic center and larger recreation center. It is needed.

106. Proposed Allocations of Citywide Park Development Impact Fees
Presenter: Andy Field, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

MOVED/SECONDED: Mr. Otsuji/Mr. Smith

A motion was made by Mr. Otsuji and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the staff recommendation for the Proposed Allocations of Citywide Park Development Impact Fees. The Board approved the motion unanimously 8-0-2 and passed with the following vote: Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Shaina Gross, Rick Gulley, Dennis Otsuji, Evelyn Smith, and René Smit. Recused: None. Abstained: None. Not Present: Molly Chase, and Pita Verdin.

Public Comment on Item #106:

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Daniele Laman	Ms. Laman has questions on Attachment 1 of the report. She noted the capital priority scores had a high of 81 for Memorial Community Park, then decreased to North Chollas Community Park. She requested the priority scores for the alternative projects (“waterfall list”) not in Attachment 1 and asked if this matter could be postponed until next month.

Board Member Comment on Item #106:

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Ms. Bothwell	Ms. Bothwell asked Mr. Field to respond to Ms. Laman. Mr. Field responded that all active projects have priority scores. The report only includes scores for those projects that are currently proposed for funding. However, when projects are ready for funding for their next phase, they can be considered for funding and brought back to the Board for approval. This report is the first in a likely series of reports that will recommend matching available citywide park development impact fee funding with eligible projects. Today's action identifies the criteria for selecting the projects along with an initial tranche of projects for consideration.
Mr. Gross	Ms. Gross asked how this would impact Fiscal Year 2024 and whether there is sufficient funding to allocate to projects needing funding. Mr. Field responded that this action is the first of several requesting allocation of funds, and this will continue as more funds accumulate. New projects will be shifted from the waterfall list onto the recommended project list based on each project's phase and need for funding to complete that phase. Mr. Tomlinson noted that per Council Resolution R-314603 (Section 17), 80% of the funds are to be used for park deficient communities, and of the 80% set aside, 50% are to be used for communities of concern.
Mr. Smith	Mr. Smith is concerned that Mr. Tomlinson's interpretation should be clarified and confirmed, as he had thought 50% of the full amount (not 50% of 80% of the full amount) was for communities of concern. He noted this report is a Rosetta Stone to outline how park deficiencies and disparities can be corrected in many communities and implement the will of the Parks Master Plan, Complete Communities, and Build Better San Diego.
Mr. Becker	Mr. Becker asked if the proposed Peñasquitos Village Park can be added to the waterfall list? Mr. Field responded that yes it could but noted that priority would be granted to projects in park deficient communities and communities of concern as identified in the Climate Equity Index report.

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji noted that staff should look at other funding sources to help augment the Citywide Park Development Impact Fee program especially state and federal grants. He noted that there could be less funding in development impact fees in the future since there are not many development locations left in the City, such as Otay Mesa.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

201. Draft De Anza Natural Amendment to the Mission Bay Park Master Plan – A Balance of Uses

Presenters: Scott Sandel, Park Designer, Planning Department
Jordan Moore, Senior Planner, Planning Department

Public Comment on Item #201:

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
<u>Ann Parode Dynes</u>	<u>Ms. Dynes</u> wrote to oppose the DeAnza programmatic environmental impact report as she is concerned the proposed site layout will damage recreational facilities in east Pacific Beach, including the golf course, ballfields, tennis courts, and related amenities.
Craig Kessler	Mr. Kessler from the Southern California Golf Association (SCGA) wrote to express support for Mission Bay Golf Course, which is an 18-hole, par 58 executive golf course and practice facility. It is the only facility with night lighting in San Diego. It has served the community for 66 years and provided San Diego residents with precisely the kind of accessible and affordable golf experience conducive of introducing young persons and young adults to the game. The driving range alone brought in over \$1.1 million in revenue last year, which is needed to keep the golf course solvent. He expressed concerns about realigning the course and ensuring golf remains a priority in the study area.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Avalee Cohen	Ms. Cohen stated that Councilmember Joe La Cava from District 1 supports preserving McEvoy Field. However, the current proposal does not state definitively that McEvoy Field will remain in place after the wetlands are created. This sports field is the only community park/field for a community of about 50,000 residents. Children deserve to have a safe place to congregate. On weekends, over 1000 people show up for organized sports.
David Mack	Mr. Mack wrote that the De Anza Natural Plan Environmental Impact Report (EIR) should study an alternative that preserves the same amount of waterfront camping and recreational access within the study area that is available today. Per Section 15131 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Mr. Mack requested that the EIR study the social effects any physical changes to the study area would have on the community's current access to lower-cost overnight accommodation.
Jennifer	Jennifer wrote to support preserving the space for camping and beach access and to maintain Campland on the Bay. This venue helps local nonprofit organizations raise funds for charitable purposes.
Barry Homer	Mr. Homer wrote that De Anza Peninsula is a jewel for San Diego. He does not want to squander its unique attraction for the dubious value of adding a small amount of marshland to an already existing large marsh.
Rebecca Pearce	Ms. Pearce requested that the De Anza Cove plan guarantee that at the minimum, active recreation acreage is maintained including the soccer fields.
James Toth	Mr. Toth noted that Campland on the Bay has truly been a wonderful treasure to San Diego. It brings in the both locals and visitors to the Mission Bay area to enjoy waterfront camping in a manner. Often, people cannot otherwise be able to afford a beach vacation.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Cindy Homer	Ms. Homer indicated that the San Diego needs more places for recreation vehicles and their families to camp for days and weeks. Infrastructure is in place, and this area is proven to be a winner for the City with lease payments made by Campland to the City. She noted that there already is a wildlife sanctuary with over 1,000 mature trees.
John Collins	Mr. Collins supports retaining Bob McEvoy Field, which is a heavily used and enjoyed community resource for Pacific Beach, Mission Beach, and other surrounding neighborhoods. Any visit on a spring Saturday is met with multitudes of baseball playing families and a true sense of community. This resource should be retained and improved, not threatened by the reallocation of land proposed in the De Anza marshland plans.
Danielle Gant	Ms. Gant is the vice-president of the University City Racquet Club who plays tennis but also enjoys hiking. The DeAnza Natural Plan should not impact the Pacific Beach Tennis Club. Tennis has been growing at a rate of 30% per year with a lengthy waitlist.
Kalpal Goletta	Mr. Goletta noted the water-based activities should be prioritized.
Paula Goletta	Ms. Goletta is a member of the Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club and noted the good work of the Club including receiving a Level Up grant from the San Diego Unified School District.
Valerie Bushree	Ms. Bushree is an active outdoors enthusiast. She would like to protect the wetlands. The City should only focus on the vacant mobile home area, not the adjacent tennis club, golf club, or other recreational areas.
Jeffrey Dyck	Mr. Dyck noted his support for sports facilities in the DeAnza area.
Muriel Spooner	Ms. Spooner expressed her support for this project. She also pointed out that the city's final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for this project must prioritize water quality by adding a specific project objective to improve the water quality of the study area and the bay through natural, resilient infrastructure; per the 1994 Mission Bay Park Master Plan. Restored wetlands will provide significant improvement in water quality.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Former Resident of De Anza	A former resident of De Anza recommended to give the land back to the wildlife and requested not to poison innocent people with toxic materials that can cause cancer.
Ryland Weber	Mr. Weber is the coordinator for Audubon Society. The plan is an initial step forward for our city but is not the full amount of wetland restoration. The EIR needs an objective to improve water quality in the bay and does not address sea level rise.
John Mayers	Mr. Mayers asked why this is being debated. He noted Campland received De Anza for an expanded camping experience
Martin Coyne	Mr. Coyne supports the current use of the Campland which is safe camping experience for local communities and tourist destination offering water sports, friend, family, and church reunions. Campland has had a historical positive impact for the last 50 years.
Bob Curtis	Bob Curtis expressed his support for closing Campland and increasing the marshlands.
Diane Dizdul	Ms. Dizdul expressed her support for camping at the bay.
Serena Rodriguez	Ms. Rodriguez expressed her support for camping at the bay.
Jim Whalen	Mr. Whalen represents the Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club. The plan eliminates the club space and does not provide an alternate location. The club should not have to move until its relocation is assured by the City. South Shores is the preferred location for the new club. This is a place where members can store their boat for \$80 per month.
Paula Goleta	Ms. Goleta returned for in person testimony. She noted the unique opportunities offered by the Boat and Ski Club. She spoke about the Level Up grant for kayaking for students in the fourth through sixth grade within the San Diego Unified School District.
Liezl Joy Luzano	Ms. Luzano yielded her time to Paula Goleta. Ms. Goleta returned for additional in-person testimony about concrete canoes and work with UCSD students at the Boat and Ski Club.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Susan Crowers	Ms. Crowers noted several uses of the DeAnza area and concerns for existing recreational facilities. She would like to see them remain in place.
Lil Barnes	Lil Barnes did not speak as she had to leave.
Scott Andrews	Mr. Andrews supports Re Wild's position and is part of Save Our Access. He asked why the Boat and Ski Club would have to vacate. Re Wild has Coastal Conservancy funding and has been conducting outreach for the past seven years. Richard Gershing is a hydrologist from San Diego State University who has been looking at ways to improve water quality in the eastern portion of the bay. The toxic waste dump at South Shores is unlined and is not remediated, and that continues to leak into the bay.
Gloria Henson	Ms. Henson is a resident of Mission Beach and has been looking into the changes at Mission Bay over the past five years
Gary Kent	Mr. Kent noted interest in retaining the tennis club at Bob McEvoy Fields and asked it remain open.
John Heatherington	Mr. Heatherington spoke in opposition to this proposal because the City is ignoring a superior plan offered by Rewild Mission Bay, which is endorsed by several organizations.
Jim Peugh	Mr. Peugh is the conservation chair for San Diego Audubon Society, and he noted the benefits of wetlands and how they improve water quality. The DeAnza Natural proposal has wetland creation, but it does not go far enough.
George Heatherington	Mr. Heatherington from the Environmental Center of San Diego and member of the Rewild coalition. He lives along Mission Bay and noted the poor water quality of the bay. He noted deficiencies of Campland and DeAnza RV park related to public access for state tideland trust areas in Mission Bay Park. He expressed concern about restricting public access, which is not allowed by the public trust for these lands.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Ken Wagner	Mr. Wagner from Campland Forever does not want the current plan to move forward. He noted that camping and ballfields are reduced, and people cannot play pickleball or water-based activities such as canoeing. The middle of the road does not exist in this plan
Jan Yerzik	Ms. Yerzik supports marshland but also wants Campland to remain where it is. Over 3200 concerned citizens and campers have signed petitions who wish to see the plan reevaluated.
Joanna Hirst	Ms. Hirst is on the board of the Pacific Beach Tennis Club, which has operated in the DeAnza Natural area for 63 years. She noted the growing population of Mission Bay Park including the new high density residential areas near the two trolley stops adjacent to the park.
Tom Norton	Mr. Norton submitted a speaker slip but was not available to speak.
Avalee Cohen	Ms. Cohen noted that the sports field was developed in the 1950s to play baseball, softball, soccer, and other sports. Loss of McEvoy Field would create a park deficiency in Pacific Beach and cause youth obesity and lack of social connection
Michael Gelfand	Mr. Gelfand has managed Campland on the Bay and Mission Bay RV Park for many years. He supports wetlands and expansion. The current EIR, however, does not study all the impacts on recreation. It does not study the efficacy of the channel going through the DeAnza peninsula. Water quality improvements related to the proposed wetlands will not occur under the EIR. Sea level rise is not studied and may not affect this portion of the bay. There should be better ways to sequester carbon. This EIR needs to be expanded to be more thorough.
Bill Zent	Mr. Zent is opposed to this plan and noted 1000 signatures in support of the Boat and Ski Club.
Lynn Booth	Ms. Booth does not see an equitable balance in this plan. It shows a large increase in wetlands but reduces the active recreation uses.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Steve Trudgen	Mr. Trudgen represents a water ski club that has been in San Diego for over 65 years. He expressed concerns with the loss of a home for the nonprofit organization if the Boat and Ski Club is required to move.
Scott Chipman	Mr. Chipman is a 15-year advocate for the Mission Bay Gateway plan, which he believes is superior to the City plan. This plan has been provided to the Park Board members and is attached to the meeting minutes. He noted that a loss of six acres is not acceptable, and the park needs to grow instead to serve the additional people moving to the community. The MISSION Bay Park Committee heard this matter previously and noted several plan deficiencies. Mr. Chipman noted those comments that support additional active recreation at DeAnza Cove.
Robert Holnur	Mr. Holnur left a speaker slip but was not present when called.
Steele Young	Mr. Young is the commodore of the boat and ski club. The club is celebrating its 83 rd birthday. In 1965, when Mission Bay was created, the club left San Diego Bay and was welcomed to the northeastern corner of DeAnza Cove to provide water-based recreation. He noted that the Boat and Ski Club is an umbrella club that covers multiple clubs that operate out of the building. The club teaches blind people how to water ski at Hidden Anchorage. Mr. Young invited the board to come to visit the site. He requested a phased-in solution that does not cause the club to be eliminated or move the club to South Shores.
Dave Walker	Mr. Walker asked the members to review the maps that were distributed and are part of the meeting minutes. He skis the bay weekly launching in the early morning. He opposes the proposal because of public safety concerns caused by the congestion of boats in the bay. He suggested that the lifeguards provide feedback on the proposal. He requested a citizens committee consisting of all stakeholders to help find a compromise.
Glen Gentile	Mr. Gentile lives in Bay Park within walking distance to DeAnza. He supports Campland and the Boat and Ski Club. He expressed concerns about the future of the Thunderboats racing if the plan is implemented. He noted there is no bicycle pathway at Kendall Frost Marsh, and bicyclists need to use Crown Point Drive instead

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Alea DeSantis	Ms. DeSantis spoke about the need to save Bob McEvoy Fields. My family is fourth-generation San Diegans. She leads a youth soccer organization which needs the fields to remain intact. It is disheartening to see the field area could be reduced by this plan.
Richard Baker	Mr. Baker allotted his time to Mei-Ling Marshall. Ms. Marshall is the head coach for an outrigger nonprofit under the boat and ski club that serves youth. She supports the continuation of the good works and efforts of the boat and ski club and hopes the club can remain or be relocated with no disruption to current operations
Julia Sullivan	Ms. Sullivan represents Coastal Youth Girls Softball, which uses Bob McEvoy Fields. The fields will be impacted by the proposed DeAnza Natural Plan. She recommends the plan be revised to preserve and protect current athletic uses.
Ian Kerch	Mr. Kerch represents Mission Bay Youth Field Association. Bob McEvoy was a building inspector who built youth baseball at these fields. He had a 99-year lease with the City. For 67 years, this has continued. He is asking that these fields not be taken from the kids and request the fields be preserved.
Dennis Cunningham	Mr. Cunningham asked who will build a replacement golf course, tennis courts, and boat and ski club. The land will likely be left fallow for a prolonged period.
Laura Hendrickson	Ms. Hendrickson of San Diego Beach Improvement Group suggested that the health of the land, safety, and coastal access be prioritized. He wanted to have more design ideas to create something memorable and beautiful.
Barry Home	Mr. Home supports Campland on the Bay, which reliably brings funding into the City of San Diego. He noted 1000 trees will be eliminated as part of the creation of wetlands. He also noted the Multiple Species Conservation Program does not include northeastern Mission Bay.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Cherry Robinson	Ms. Robinson from Climate Reality Project stressed the importance of wetlands and marsh. She expressed concerns for the children who will be impacted by water quality issues, sea level rise, and climate action. Campland is leaking oil into the bay from the asphalt areas, especially from recreation vehicles.
Steve Wealth	Mr. Wealth from Clairemont asked whether the board has looked at the 1934 land grant given by the State of California to the City of San Diego. The grant specified that the State land to the City was supposed to be free access to all residents of the State. He asked not to take away two-thirds of the parkland that currently exists at DeAnza Cove. We need more parkland at this location, not less. The peninsula should be parkland, like it was before the mobile homes were there.
Joe Melendez	Mr. Melendez lives in military housing not far from DeAnza Cove. He advocates for saving McEvoy Fields and hopes for reconsideration of the sports field uses that benefits the kids. This impacts military families that relocate every two to three years.
Gwendolyn Dick	Ms. Dick supports Rewild Mission Bay and requests modifications to the draft EIR to incorporate this option.
John Riedel	Mr. Riedel supports the plan that prioritizes habitat and wetlands.
Josh Jorgesen	Mr. Jorgesen supports public tennis courts and hopes more can be built given loss of privately owned tennis courts elsewhere in San Diego. Pickleball has impacted available tennis courts as well

Board Member Comment on Item 201:

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Ms. Bothwell	Ms. Bothwell expressed gratitude for everyone’s perseverance.
Mr. Gulley	Mr. Gulley noted the August 31, 2023, and October 14, 2023, deadlines as well as City Council consideration in the fall. He asked if the Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) deadline can be extended. Mr. Sandel responded that it goes back to the schedule, which tries to get as much input as possible before the October deadline, which was

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
	mutually agreed upon between the City and RWQCB. This is why the Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for August to achieve that date.
Ms. Bothwell	Ms. Bothwell noted this is a 50-year plan that does not seem to be worked out to most people's satisfaction. Shouldn't the City consider losing the \$1.4 million to allow this process to take the appropriate amount of time that it needs? Mr. Sandel responded that he is interested in receiving input until the summer.
Mr. Gulley	Mr. Gulley asked about the presentation to the City Council in the fall. Mr. Sandel stated that the schedule and process could be more deliberative depending on the feedback staff receives this spring and summer. That process could push out the timeframes for the fall.
Ms. Gross	Ms. Gross asked about the other alternatives for the proposed plan. She feels the Board needs to dedicate more time to this matter.
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji asked what the legal impacts of not meeting the deadlines that place the proposal to the Planning Commission in the late summer. Mr. Sandel responded that the \$1.4 million would need to be paid to the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Mr. Otsuji suggested that staff obtain more information on what impacts would emerge if the schedule is extended. He then suggested that the prior plans presented six or seven years ago were better than the one presented today. There are opportunities to look at other alternatives including South Shores and Fiesta Island.
Mr. Smith	Mr. Smith asked if a motion could be made to ask the Planning Department to provide answers to these questions. Ms. Bothwell noted this is an information item, so no vote can be taken. Mr. Smith then asked Mr. Sandel if it is possible to address the pathway around the golf course and whether removing it could create more recreation space? Mr. Sandel stated that would require more analysis. Mr. Smith asked if lighting reduction in the EIR eliminate nighttime golf? Mr. Sandel said no. Mr. Smith asked whether the SEP information available in the public domain. Ms. Bothwell asked if that information could be provided to the Board? Mr. Sandel said yes, it can.
Ms. Bothwell	Ms. Bothwell noted that her understanding of the hydrology of the area is that the Rose Creek needs to run through the Kendall Frost Marsh, and does that require the eastern wetlands to be built? Mr.

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
	Sandel indicated he could look at this further including sea level rise impacts along the creek. Ms. Bothwell noted that recently, teenage suicide rates have increased 40%. Mental health practitioners have noted problems that tie into inability to recreate and maintain healthy mental health for our kids. This needs to be considered when addressing youth sports and access to fields.

107. Proposed Subcommittee for De Anza Natural Amendment

Presenter: Marcella Bothwell, Chair, Parks and Recreation Board

MOVED/SECONDED: Ms. Gross/Mr. Smith

A motion was made by Ms. Gross and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the staff recommendation for the Proposed Subcommittee for De Anza Natural Amendment. The Board approved the motion unanimously 7-1-2 and passed with the following vote: Yea: Nick Anastasopoulos, Jon Becker, Marcella Bothwell, Shaina Gross, Rick Gulley, Evelyn Smith, and René Smit. Recused: None. Abstained: Dennis Otsuji. Not Present: Molly Chase, and Pita Verdin.

Public Comment on Item #107:

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Scott Chipman	Mr. Chipman agrees with this concept and hopes the committee will look at joint use as suggested in the Mission Bay Gateway plan
Joanna Hersh	Ms. Hersh noted collocation of facilities is needed to help fit all uses in DeAnza Cove. She would welcome the concept of a subcommittee that brings together multiple stakeholders.
Michael Gelfand	Mr. Gelfand thinks this is a great idea and suggests adding to the committee a member from the Mission Bay Lessees Association as related to impacts on their businesses.
Scott Andrews	Mr. Andrews noted that he would like the 45-day EIR review to be extended. The answer rests in cleaning up South Shores with its toxic landfill.
Mark Homer	Mr. Homer expressed his belief that Campland on the Bay is more important to everyone than converting the property into marshland.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Cindy Homer	Ms. Homer believes that San Diego needs more places for RVers and their families to camp for days and weeks. Infrastructure is in place and this area is proven to be a winner for the City and highly desirable for RVers.
Barry Homer	Mr. Homer commented that De Anza Peninsula is a jewel for San Diego. He noted the benefits of the camping experience currently at De Anza and Campland. He noted several passages in the Mission Bay Park Master Plan that support camping.
Alea Kerch	Ms. Kerch stated the current De Anza Natural Amendment will reduce the active recreation acreage and will impact recreational youth soccer fields and youth baseball fields. She noted over 2000 families use the fields, and the military families at Admiral Hartman rely on those youth sports program as a crucial part of their integration into the community.
Nick DeSantis	Mr. DeSantis stated that youth sports are vital to the development of their physical, emotional, and mental state. Kids learn how to communicate, problem solve, challenge themselves, fail, get up and try again, and have fun. The De Anza Natural Plan will reduce these opportunities by reducing sports field space.
Eva Kerch and Orlando DeSantis	Ms. Kerch shared a letter from her grandchild, a sixth grader named Orlando DeSantis. Mr. DeSantis mentioned the importance of youth sports and stated concerns over the future of Bob McEvoy Fields as a result of implanting the recommendations of the DeAnza Natural Plan.
Brandon Weber	Mr. Weber commented that as the Conservation Advocacy Coordinator for San Diego Audubon Society, he favors the Wildest Plan for Mission Bay wetland restoration. He stated the draft EIR does not have a goal to improve water quality in the bay and does not analyze the impacts of sea level rise. These should be included.
Travis Wright	Mr. Wright stated that sports fields are very important to local youth in the Pacific Beach community. He requested that the plan require that existing active recreation acreage is maintained and request that it add additional active recreation acreage to account for the already approved 9,100 dwelling units in the community.

Commenter Name:	Summary of Comments:
Gordon DeSantis	Mr. DeSantis is a fourth grader at Pacific Beach Elementary who shared his concerns about the future of Bob McEvoy fields. He found the athletic fields to be a good place for kids to make friends, grow confidence to trust other people, and learn sports and teamwork.
Jeffrey Dyck	Mr. Dyck shared his opinion that any approved plan must preserve or expand the community sport fields. These are critical to offer local sporting opportunities for Pacific Beach and neighboring community families.
Phil Jacques	Mr. Jacques expressed his support for Bob McEvoy Fields.
Elizabeth Hicks	Ms. Hicks shared the benefits of her children using Bob McEvoy Fields after moving to San Diego.

Board Member Comment on Item 107:

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Becker	Mr. Becker asked if the EIR process could be extended. Ms. Stanco indicated that the public comment period cannot be extended in compliance with requirements. She also noted that the SEP is managed by the Public Utilities Department to see if an extension is possible, since this is related to a sewer line break in Tecolote Canyon.
Ms. Gross	Ms. Gross is concerned the committee will do a lot of work but will be downplayed by the City once the work begins. Ms. Bothwell responded that the idea would be for Planning Department staff to attend the subcommittee meetings.
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji agrees with the subcommittee concept. He doesn't see how that would fit into the EIR process. Ms. Bothwell noted that this committee can meet to help ensure the Board has adequate information to respond to the requested July 20, 2023, date.
Mr. Becker	Mr. Becker asked whether the EIR could be revised if a new plan is created? Ms. Stanco responded that whatever amendment happens, it would have to be studied again. SEP requires Planning Commission to hear the matter in October, but amendments could happen thereafter.

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
	There are time and money issues that may occur if the timeline is extended.
Mr. Smith	Mr. Smith asked if an extension is possible, it is possible to reopen the EIR public comment period, such as a recirculation of the draft? Ms. Stanco indicated there are numerous factors that could come into play.

202. San Diego Canyonlands

Presenters: Clayton Tschudy, Executive Director, San Diego Canyonlands
Erika Ferreira, Deputy Director, Parks and Recreation Department

Public Comment on Item #202: None

Board Comment on Item #202:

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji commends the good work of San Diego Canyonlands. He is very happy to see the partnership and is grateful for the advocacy for habitat restoration and including open space in the Parks Master Plan. He noted the interconnected nature of the open space system and great private support to line up with the public efforts.

Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Smith	<p>Mr. Smith thanked Mr. Tschudy and Ms. Ferreira for their presentation and asked them to provide documents or links for the minutes outlining the various Canyonlands initiatives. As requested by Mr. Smith, below are the links from Mr. Tschudy:</p> <p><u>San Diego Canyonlands Online Resources:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Canyonlands' Previous Projects:</u> https://www.sdcanyonlands.org/restoration-projects___;!!OBEd2aHXvKmHymw!1zOcQ8B6KKdZvZbOfedXNClXboTgupH3vMcHqC-yvuBljg8C5K6g2JAOvyqvEC4eT6tNB3xbFniQDS_mXxoMCZiBzGg\$ • <u>Canyonlands' Volunteer Programs:</u> https://www.sdcanyonlands.org/outreach___;!!OBEd2aHXvKmHymw!1zOcQ8B6KKdZvZbOfedXNClXboTgupH3vMcHqC-yvuBljg8C5K6g2JAOvyqvEC4eT6tNB3xbFniQDS_mXxoMyIx9LT0\$ • <u>The ECO Initiative:</u> https://www.sdcanyonlands.org/ecoinitiative___;!!OBEd2aHXvKmHymw!1zOcQ8B6KKdZvZbOfedXNClXboTgupH3vMcHqC-yvuBljg8C5K6g2JAOvyqvEC4eT6tNB3xbFniQDS_mXxoM4pTQV3IS • <u>Canyon Connections Youth Internship Program:</u> https://www.sdcanyonlands.org/canyonconnections___;!!OBEd2aHXvKmHymw!1zOcQ8B6KKdZvZbOfedXNClXboTgupH3vMcHqC-yvuBljg8C5K6g2JAOvyqvEC4eT6tNB3xbFniQDS_mXxoMs9-QNnc\$ • <u>Vision Map for the San Diego County Native Landscape Program:</u> https://sdcanyonlands.egnyte.com/fl/XwA3spNiVx*folder-link/?p=5aadof52-d7f1-4f70-9dd2-c7b82f4924c8___;Iw!!OBEd2aHXvKmHymw!1zOcQ8B6KKdZvZbOfedXNClXboTgupH3vMcHqC-yvuBljg8C5K6g2JAOvyqvEC4eT6tNB3xbFniQDS_mXxoMKERTh_o\$
Mr. Becker	<p>Mr. Becker expressed gratitude to Ms. Ferreira and Mr. Tschudy, including the good work of Eric Bowlby, the previous director. He appreciates the growth, restoration, and care of the City’s open space system.</p>

203. Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Budget

Presenter: Michele Kelley, Fiscal Operations Manager, Parks and Recreation Department

Public Comment on Item #203: None

Board Comment on Item #203:

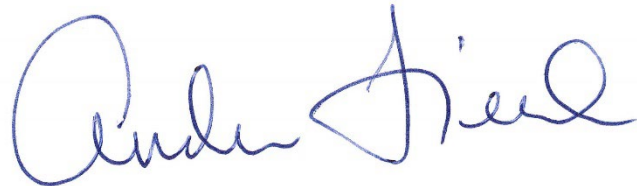
Board Member:	Summary of Comments:
Mr. Smith	Mr. Smith did not find an update on the grant program manager and did not see an updated facilities condition assessment? Mr. Field responded that the grant program manager is still needed but not funded, and he does not know if the condition assessment will be funded.
Mr. Otsuji	Mr. Otsuji asked about maintenance service levels and whether the new park maintenance division would help improve service levels? Mr. Field responded that is the longer-term goal with future funding requests in future fiscal years.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

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

Next Calendared Meeting: May 18, 2023

Submitted by,



Andy Field
Director
Parks and Recreation Department



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: March 20, 2023

TO: Park and Recreation Board

FROM: Heidi Vonblum, Planning Director, Planning Department

SUBJECT: Request to be Involved in the Community Plan Update Process

Thank you for your letter requesting the Park and Recreation Board's involvement in the community plan update process. The community plan update process involves many opportunities for our community and stakeholders to engage and provide feedback on draft plans before they are adopted by the City Council. Parks and public spaces play an important role in a community plan update. They serve as important areas for people to safely and enjoyably play and socialize, and are also a destination for people to walk, roll, and bike.

Ongoing input from our stakeholders including the City's various boards and commissions is critical in identifying public facility needs including parks and public spaces. The Planning Department welcomes the Park and Recreation Board's input into the community planning update process and greatly values your feedback on the draft community plans. We recommend Board Members to sign up for [email notifications](#) on the [Planning Department's](#) webpage to keep up to date of ongoing community plan updates as well as new updates that begin.

Moving forward, we will schedule a workshop with the Park and Recreation Board after the Community Discussion Draft Plan has been released to the public. This is the first draft of a community plan that is based on early visioning engagement that occurs well before the hearing process. Engagement at this stage will make sure that staff receives your feedback prior to seeking a recommendation to the Board.

We look forward to continued input from you throughout our community plan update process. Please do not hesitate to [contact me](#) if you have any further questions or concerns.