

City of San Diego
Parks and Recreation Department
San Ysidro Community Recreation Group
Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2022

“WE ENRICH LIVES THROUGH QUALITY PARKS AND PROGRAMS”

Meeting Held at:

San Ysidro Community Activity Center
179 Diza Road
San Ysidro, CA 92173

Mailing Address is:

179 Diza Road
San Ysidro, CA 92173

Members Present:

Placido Villarreal
Martin Ortega
Juan Lopez
Felipe Muro

City Staff:

Erek Estrada, Area Manager
Mari Jo Ricanor Recreation Center Director
Robert Lara, Recreation Center Director
Belinda Fimbres, Recreation Center Director
Carlos Lacarra, Community Relations, SDPD
Alondra Alvaro, Representative, Council District 8

Members Absent:

David Guerrero
Ricardo Herrera
Rosa Ruesga
Ricky Duran

Guests:

Tim Hendersen	Shang Ahmud
Frances Marquez	Jennifer Scott
Salvador Gonzalez	Matt Clemens
Rosita Haro	Paola Garcia
Claudia Carreon	Alejandra Garcia
Alexandra Meza	Jackie Hernandez

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Martin Ortega called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Introductions were made around the table for those in attendance.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 14, 2022 MINUTES:

MOTION: It was moved /seconded (J. Lopez/F. Muro) to accept the minutes as presented. The motion carried with 3 yea, 0 nay and 0 abstention.

FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP:

None

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE:

None

COMMUNICATIONS: (Limited to items not on the agenda. Each one will be limited to three minutes and is not debatable)

None

CITY OF SAN DIEGO MAYOR’S REPORT:

None

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORT:

Council Representative Alondra Alvaro reported on behalf of Councilwoman Vivian Moreno's office:

- Introduced herself to everyone as the new CD8 representative for San Ysidro, replacing Gerardo Ramirez.
- Community 'Pup Up' event will be held at Civic Center Park on March 26. Services provided at this event include free pet supplies, free microchipping, dog licenses, and low-cost vaccinations for your pet.
- The official City of San Diego smartphone application, Get it Done, allows residents to report neighborhood issues and code violations on the go.

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT:

Community Relations Officer Carlos Lacarra reported the following:

- Crime stats reveal an increase violent and property crime and vehicle thefts in the City.
- There is a new 'Street Vendor Ordinance'. Under the ordinance, vendors will need a business license and vendor permit to operate at beaches, boardwalks, and other busy areas across San Diego.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Robert Lara will email a copy of the latest reports with next month's agenda and minutes.

BOARDMEMBER COMMENT:

None

SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

None

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

Felipe Muro of Comsports reported that registration for this year's annual Villa Bowl tournament had decreased 50 percent due to Covid. This year's event took place at Cesar Solis Community Park. Felipe is hoping that next year the event can return to Larsen Field.

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF REPORT:

Area Manager Erik Estrada reported the following for the San Ysidro Area Parks:

- A vendor was approved to treat gopher problem at Larsen Field and Vista Pacifica Neighborhood Park. Turf renovation projects will follow gopher abatement.
- Infrastructure construction is taking place at Vista Terrace Pool for the next 2-3 weeks.
- Introduced Belinda Fimbres as the new Recreation Center Director for the San Ysidro Teen Center. The City's Age Well Senior services will also partner with the teen programming in the building.

Recreation Center Director Mari Jo Ricanor reported the following for Cesar Chavez Community Center:

- Staff is currently coaching youth ages 8 to years old in basketball leagues held at San Ysidro Community Activity Center and Robert Egger South Bay Recreation Center. In April, staff will start recruiting for volleyball and soccer.
- Spring Egg Hunt will be held on April 16.
- Free youth dinner service has been suspended until June due to low attendance. Service will resume in the summer.

Recreation Center Director Robert Lara reported the following for San Ysidro Community Activity Center:

- Staff is currently coaching both 10u and 12u division youth basketball teams. 12u league games end this week and 10u league will end the first week of April.
- Staff recently purchased a heat press which will be used to create and design sports jerseys for participants.
- Spring Egg Hunt will be held on April 13 at La Mirada Joint use field. Event starts at 4:00 p.m.

- The site is hosting polls from March 26 through April 5 for the primary elections.
- Staff has started registering participants for the upcoming volleyball and soccer season.

Recreation Center Director Belinda Fimbres reported the following for San Ysidro Teen Center:

- Introduced herself to everyone as the new Center Director for the San Ysidro Teen Center which was the Old San Ysidro Public Library before vacating and moving to their new location. She is looking forward to working with local businesses and community organizations in the community. Grand opening date is to be announced.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

San Ysidro Activity Center Improvement Update:

City of San Diego Project team which consists of Architects, Engineers, and staff from KUTA gave a presentation update on the San Ysidro Activity Center’s Improvement plan. Those who attended were given a design packet that contained visual modifications that were made based on community feedback.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Frequency of San Ysidro Community Recreation Group Meeting.

MOTION: It was moved /seconded (F. Muro/J. Lopez) to continue holding the San Ysidro Community Recreation Group meetings monthly. The motion carried with 3 yeas, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Martin Ortega adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday April 11, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
 San Ysidro Community Activity Center
 179 Diza Road, San Ysidro, CA 92173
 (619) 424-0472

Submitted By:

Reviewed By:

Approved by:

 Mari Jo Ricanor
 Recreation Center Director

 Enrique Duran
 District Manager

 Martin Ortega
 Chairperson