

City of San Diego
Parks and Recreation Department
San Ysidro Community Recreation Group
Meeting Minutes
October 10, 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:

Martin Ortega
Juan Lopez
Felipe Muro
Consuelo Delgadillo

City Staff:

Francisco Castruita, Area Manager
Mari Jo Ricanor Recreation Center Director
Robert Lara, Recreation Center Director
Belinda Fimbres, Recreation Center Director
Hector Sanchez, Pool Manager
Carlos Lacarra, Community Relations, SDPD

Members Absent:

David Guerrero
Ricky Duran
Rosa Ruesga

Guests:

Irene Lopez, SYSD Board Member

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairperson Martin Ortega called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Introductions were made around the table for those in attendance.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 13, 2022 MINUTES:

MOTION: It was moved /seconded (J. Lopez/C. Delgadillo) to accept the minutes as presented. The motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstention.

FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP:

Rosita Haro has attended 3 consecutive meetings and will formally request for membership, which will go into effect at the October 10 meeting. Rosita was not present at tonight's meeting. Staff will contact her to attend next month's meeting on November 14.

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:

None

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT:

Community Relations Officer Carlos Lacarra reported the following:

- An incident that occurred on October 4 across the street from La Mirada Elementary School was resolved and there were no injuries.
- Any Transient incidents or encampments you encounter, please use the 'Get it Done' app on your mobile phone or computer. The report will be sent to San Diego Police for their assistance.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Robert Lara will email the most recent financial RCF Budget to Actuals report to everyone.

BOARDMEMBER COMMENT:

None

SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

Felipe Muro of Comsports informed everyone that he plans to meet with staff to discuss the upcoming Villa Bowl and Villa Cup taking place at Larsen Field. Hopefully the conditions of the athletic turf have improved for use.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

Consuelo Delgadillo of Hearts & Hands Working Together informed everyone that they have food distributions on the first Tuesday of the month at Mt. Carmel and on the third Friday of the month at the Las Americas Premium Outlets. Hearts & Hands meetings take place on the fourth Friday of every month at the San Ysidro Public Library, 101 West San Ysidro Blvd. The public is welcome to attend.

Juan Lopez of 'A.I.C.I.' informed everyone that the group held a Fiestas Patrias event at the San Ysidro Senior Center on September 15 from 5:00 to 9:45 p.m. The event was well, and a lot of people attended.

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF REPORT:

Area Manager Francisco Castruita reported the following:

- Thanked SYCAC staff for their professionalism and assistance with San Diego Police, La Mirada Elementary School and District Faculty regarding the incident that occurred in a home across the street from the school.
- The City arborist inspected and evaluated a Eucalyptus tree at Howard Lane Neighborhood Park a resident requested to be removed next to their home. The tree was determined to be healthy with no sign of disease and does not encroach on the resident's property.
- New security lights will be installed near Vista Terrace Pool/Vista Terrace Neighborhood Park. It will be LED lighting which will help with needed security in the parking lot. Installation will begin next month.

Pool Manager Hector Sanchez of Vista Terrace Pool reported the following:

- Introduced himself as the new Pool Manager and is looking forward to working with everyone and the community.
- Vista Terrace Pool's Unfunded Park Improvement's are currently underway. Painting and plastering of the facility are happening this week.
- City has approved to install new shading and security fencing in January 2023.
- Pool activity use schedule remains the same. Currently, Montgomery High School is using for water polo.
- Staff will request to expand additional hours of operation of pool use for everyone.

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

- Free dinner meals to youth up to 18 years old are being offered until summer 2023, unless there is a drop in attendance. These meals are served at from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- Staff took 10 kids to a Padre game on September 21, sponsored by the San Diego Parks Foundation.

- Staff is currently coaching youth for the upcoming flag football season. They are actively recruiting for pee wee, 10u, and 12u division teams. Practices will take place at Larsen Field and games will be held at Silverwing and South Bay Recreation Centers.
- On September 22, staff took 25 teens to the annual Haunted Trails at Balboa Park.
- Staff will offer a free Halloween Carnival on October 27 inside the gym from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Carnival games, cupcake walk, and costume contest will be offered.

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

- Staff will host in October a Día de los Muertos activities from October 24 to October 28.
- Staff will offer pumpkin carving on October 26 at 3:30 p.m.

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

- The San Diego Humane Society held a ‘Pup’ Up event at La Mirada Elementary, Joint Use Field on October 1st from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Services for pets included pet supplies, microchipping and low-cost vaccines for dogs and cats. No appointment was necessary. The next event will take place on November 11.
- Staff will be taking registrations for the upcoming Toys for Tots Program next week. See staff in office for more information.
- Staff took 25 teens to the Haunted Trails at Balboa Park on September 22.
- Staff is still offering a flag football program to pee wee, 10u and 12u age divisions. Games will be held at Silverwing and South Bay Recreation Centers.
- San Ysidro Community Activity Center will host voting polls November 5 to November 8.
- Staff will hold weekly activities in October leading up to Halloween on October 31.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Robert handed out to everyone SYCAC’s proposed budget for FY2024. Any comments or suggestions may be discussed at next month’s meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

None

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Martin Ortega adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday November 14, 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

 Francisco Castruita
 Area Manager

 Rosa Ruesga
 Vice Chairperson