

CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
University Heights Community Recreation Group
MINUTES
February 2, 2023 at 5:30 pm
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Mailing Address:

North Park Recreation Center
4044 Idaho Street
San Diego, CA 92104

ATTENDANCE

Marc Johnson, Chairperson
Ernie Bonn, Corresponding Secretary
Chris Milnes
Sol Schumer

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Stu McGraw, Vice Chair
Andy Cameron
Jeffery Taylor

CITY STAFF

Michele Chicarelli, Area Manager II
Council District 3 Representative – Ryan Darsey- Absent
Justin Necaie, Presidio Recreation Center Director- Absent
Tianna David, North Park Recreation Center Director

GUESTS

Jane Bird, Michael Nichols and Ducote Contreras of VOLO Sports

CALL TO ORDER – Marc Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:51 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Ernie Bonn/Sol Schumer) to approve January 5th, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously (4-0-0).

COMMUNICATIONS – Ducote Contreras from VOLO Sports communicated interested in extended permitting at Birney Joint use field. Michele Chicarelli reported that, per the Brown Act, further discussion would need to be put on the next agenda. Chairperson Marc Johnson agreed to put the item of extended Birney Joint Use field permitting on the next agenda. Ernie Bonn raised concern regarding funding for Little Italy park. Chairperson Marc Johnson reported that further discussion would require an agenda item at the next meeting.

CHAIRPERSON REPORT – Marc Johnson reported that he has reached out to the Education Board on clarification on the dog park. Marc Johnson also reported that the University Heights Community Recreation Group has been given approval to fix the kiosk at Old Trolley Barn park.

REPORTS

Parks and Recreation – Tianna David reported that the youth basketball league at North Park recreation center has begun. Tianna David also reported that the athletic field at North Park Recreation Center would be reopening in May. Tianna David announced that new pickleball hours would be offered at North Park Recreation Center on Wednesday mornings.

Area Manager – No report.

Presidio Recreation Center – No report.

City Council District 3 Representative – No Report.

San Diego Police Department – No Report.

Birney Elementary – Michele Chicarelli reported that a work request has been submitted for gophers at both Birney and Old Trolley Barn park.

University Heights Point – Michele Chicarelli reported that downed trees were cleared after heavy rain.

Old Trolley Barn Neighborhood Park – No report.

Parks and Recreation Community Parks II Area Committee – Sol Schumer reported no meeting took place in January.

Uptown Planners – No report.

North Park Public Facilities Subcommittee – Ernie Bonn reported that no meeting took place in January.

Education Center Redevelopment – No Report.

ACTION ITEMS – Adoption (Each item requires individual action).

1. Update on the Ed Center Temporary Dog Park – Marc Johnson reported that the School District must complete paperwork and that paperwork and it will be going before the school board on either February 14th, 2023 or March 14th, 2023.
2. Replacement of missing trees in front of swings – Michele Chicarelli reported that the City will purchase 2 new trees to replace the missing trees.

WORKSHOP ITEMS –

INFORMATION ITEM –

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, Marc Johnson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. Sol Schumer seconded.

NOTICE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Thursday, March 2, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., at the Birney Elementary School Library room.

Justin Necaise
Submitted by Justin Necaise, Center Director I

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