

# **MINUTES**

City of San Diego Park and Recreation Department  
Mira Mesa Recreation Council  
April 12, 2016

## **Meeting Location:**

Lopez Ridge Park & Recreation Center  
7245 Calle Cristobal  
San Diego, CA 92126

## **ATTENDANCE:**

### **Members Present**

Joe Frichtel – Chairperson  
Bruce Brown - Vice Chairperson  
Al Radick  
Carlos Weckmann IV  
Greg Goonan  
Julius Hitchens, Scott Potter  
Fay Hamilton  
Jeff Stevens  
Ken Kaplan  
Barbara Shorthill  
Allyson Adamo-Parsons  
Ken Weidmann

### **Members Absent**

Karen Hower  
John Grondona

### **Staff Present**

Mike Rodrigues  
Coselyn Goodrich  
Angel Castro  
Christian Haupt  
Denise M. Lamb  
Trena Bennett  
Saunia Kammerer  
Luis Pallera

### **Guests**

Lorayae Burley  
Brian Pecus  
Frank Sottun  
Larry Sieck  
Ted Brengel  
Kurt Carison  
Cheri Blatner  
Kevin Mock  
Susan Baxter  
George Freihe  
Pete Ritchey  
Stephan Betz  
John Pollard

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Joe Frichtel called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**MOTION:            MOVED/SECONDED            AI RADICK/JEFF STEVENS**

A motion was made by Al Radick and Jeff Stevens to approve the March 8, 2016 minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved (7-0-0).

### **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION:            MOVED/SECONDED            AI RADICK/JEFF STEVENS**

A motion was made by Al Radick and Jeff Stevens to approve the April 12, 2016 agenda. The motion was unanimously approved (7-0-0).

### **REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES** - None

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Joe Frichtel - Recognize Ken Weidmann for becoming a Mira Mesa Recreation Council member in April 2016

### **WORKSHOP ON CANYON HILLS RESOURCE PARK**

- \$5.96 million for environmental studies and initial design.
- Explore having more than one entrance. Option #1 Mercy Rd. Option #2 from the south another entrance possibly from the west side. Entrances should have identification signs at each entry point. Access roads should be at different levels of the park.
- The southern part of the park has a large flat area. Explore making that area a potential parking lot/staging area. Covered shaded solar panels (like at Salk Elementary school) in the parking lot could produce energy for security cameras and safety lighting. Maybe have some grass open areas and some active play areas with lots of trees on edges of open areas. There should be patio shade structure (attached to the office/restroom), picnic tables and shaded tot lot for young folks to play.
- There should be parking up/at the top of the park as well as a viewing area. The viewing area should be equipped with coin operated binoculars similar to those at Point Loma. Care should be taken that binoculars cannot be used to look into nearby homes.
- Because of the water pipes at top of park and heavy winds, tree planting should be done on a very limited basis. Shade should be provided at the top of the park with patio shades structures that are designed to withstand heavy winds.
- Lots of well-marked hiking trails connecting top and staging area. Fencing along the east side of the park for safety.
- Building with restrooms, drinking fountain, P&R storage, docent/staff office. What are the pro and cons of restrooms near staging area as opposed to at the top of the hill? Cost vs. convenience.
- Before beginning to proceed with the design we need to clearly define and understand what is a "Resource Park" and if there are any unique laws or rules that we must comply with while designing and constructing this asset.
- Security Cameras and lights where appropriate. Should be able to be monitored at remote location -

maybe at new Ranger Station (on corner of Mercy Rd. and Black Mountain) or SDP&R Area Manager's office.

- The existing picnic tables are covered with graffiti and may have other damage. By the time this park is opened to the community they may no longer be usable, cleanable or appropriate and require replacement.
- Citizen/neighbor concerns/comments - vandalism and crime, people smoking with dead brush close by, ADA accessible with 6,000 foot path for wheelchairs - accessibility for emergency vehicles - want to have a facility for staff to hand out flyers for hiking paths - illegal dumps - pet friendly - the more natural the park looks the better - do not want amenities on the park grounds

**TREASURER'S REPORT** - Karen Hower - Tabled to May

Month End March, 2016 for both recreation centers \$

Hourglass: \$                      available funds: \$

Mira Mesa: \$                      available funds: \$

Available funds from both centers:                      \$

**CHAIRPERSON REPORT** - Joe Frichtel

- Asked members to review security camera proposal for Camino Ruiz Park and be ready to discuss proposal at May meeting

**STAFF REPORTS** - Luis Pallera - Council District 6 representative

- Senior Center closed until end of June due to roof repairs and addition of AC unit
- July 1<sup>st</sup> 11-12pm BBQ for reopening - rededication inviting community members
- Epicenter is open for RFP - June target date to receive proposals
- Asian Cultural Festival on May 7<sup>th</sup> (7<sup>th</sup> annual year) and D6 Night Market on May 21<sup>st</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> annual year)

**WANGENHEIM EXPANSION PROJECT** - No update

Area Manager II, Angel Castro

- Mira Mesa Senior Center - Golden Friends and FASCA voluntarily terminated lease - most programs have been relocated to Gil Johnson Recreation Center
- Breen Park - burned clothes in the bathroom over this past weekend - 4/11 burned a bunch of paper towels in the men's restroom
- Mira Mesa Expansion going well
- Netting will be going up in May
- Fine grading of the tot lot right now currently on schedule
- Expected to be completed by February 2017

Gil Johnson Recreation Center - CD III Christian Haupt

- New hire Marlon Wells, Recreation Leader I - doing great, very reliable
- Spring Egg Hunt was successful with over 500 patrons in attendance - Rita's Ice Cream, face painter,

jumpers, egg hunt, arts and crafts and balloon twister.

- Tiny Tots Preschool, Pee Wee Sports, Ceramics 4 Kidz, and Kitchen Kraziness programs are full.
- Both 10 and under basketball teams had a great season. Lightning were crowned champions of the Mira Mesa League held at Hourglass
- July 13<sup>th</sup> Summer Lunch BBQ from 12-1pm - Free Summer Lunch from June 27<sup>th</sup>-August 19<sup>th</sup> for kids 18 and under.
- Called Schmidt three times regarding new signs at Camino Ruiz Park no answer back
- Bulletin board at Breen Park has been installed

Hourglass Field House - CD III, Denise M. Lamb

- Basketball league - banquet last Wednesday night 250 people in attendance
- May 7<sup>th</sup> Spring Fair 11-2pm
- Four volleyball teams currently 40 kids enrolled
- Pickleball is growing Mondays and Wednesdays from 10-2pm
- Emerald City Rhythmic Gymnastics has competition April 22-24 some girls could make the Olympic team

Lopez Ridge Center CD I - Trena Bennett

- Egg Hunt was successful – Ken Kaplan, Joe Frichtel and Al Radick attended
- Chef Cooking and Pee Wee sports programs going well.

Ned Baumer PM II - Saunia Kammerer:

- Adaptive swim lessons begin March 26
- Hage Elementary swim lessons start April 13
- Childrens pool opening
- Hosting county water polo cup May 6-8<sup>th</sup>

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Community Parks I Committee: Joe Frichtel - No update

Park expansion projects: Bruce Brown - No update

Hourglass Field Joint Use Committee: Joe Frichtel

- Bruce Brown reported: Miramar College wants to hold graduation in the gym – City and college staff are working on a solution for gym usage.
- Asked about new signage at Miramar College, but have not heard anything back yet.

MMRC FBA Committee: Bruce Brown - No Update

Mira Mesa Girls Softball: Alex Esqueda - Absent

Mira Mesa Youth Football and Cheer: Aurlio Morales - Absent

Mira Mesa Youth Baseball League: Carlos Weckmann IV

- Season half way over getting ready for allstars
- Pitch, hit, run over 75 kids
- Donated money to local jog-a-thons
- Bronco fields are extremely wet

Mira Mesa Little League: Greg Goonan

- Half way through the season, everything going fine

Mira Mesa AYSO Youth Soccer: Julius Hitchens

- Spring season going well- playing games Saturdays and Sundays
- Participating in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade
- Top Gun Tournament 135 teams registered - 3 teams from Arizona - Opening ceremony is May 28<sup>th</sup> 7,000-8,000 people going to be in the Mira Mesa Community
- Walker Field was very wet this past weekend - illegal men's soccer league played on Wagenheim

Shade Committee: Al Radick

- Recommendations for new shade in the next meeting.

Outreach Committee: Al Radick

- Going to put up survey for Canyon Hills Resource Park on Mira Mesa Recreation Council website

**ACTION ITEMS**

112. Request for funds – \$869.76 Gil Johnson Pee Wee Sports/Summer Activity Days supplies – presented by Christian Haupt

**MOTION:                      MOVED/SECONDED                      FAY HAMILTON/JEFF STEVENS**

A motion was made by Fay Hamilton and Jeff Stevens to approve \$869.76 for Pee Wee Sports/Summer Activity Days supplies at Gil Johnson Recreation Center. The motion was unanimously approved (10-0-0).

113. Request to rename future Canyon Hills Resource Park in honor of Bruce Brown. - presented by Al Radick

**MOTION:                      MOVED/SECONDED                      AL RADICK/KEN KAPLAN**

A motion was made by Al Radick and Ken Kaplan to approve the renaming of Canyon Hills Resource Park to Bruce G. Brown Resource Park. The motion was unanimously approved (9-0-1). Bruce Brown abstained with Bruce Brown abstaining.

114. Request for funds - \$5,000.00 for 4<sup>th</sup> of July Family Day Celebration – Port-A-Potties/stage - presented by Bari Vaz

**MOTION:                      MOVED/SECONDED                      BRUCE BROWN/JEFF STEVENS**

A motion was made by Al Radick and Ken Kaplan to approve \$5,000 for 4<sup>th</sup> of July Family Day Celebration. The motion was unanimously approved (7-0-0).

**WORKSHOP ITEMS** - None

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

- Mira Mesa's Got Talent tryouts May 17 and May 19 6-8pm at Gil Johnson Recreation Center
- Joe Frichtel reported: Mira Mesa volunteer of the year dinner April 17
- DeAnza Cove design meeting on April 27 from 6-8:30pm
- May 14 recycle drop off 9-1pm at Mira Mesa High School
- Wednesdays 830-12 mobile clinic at Walker Elementary for a free physical

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Joe Frichtel adjourned the meeting at 8:43pm.

Next Schedule Meeting:      Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 7:00pm  
   Lopez Ridge Recreation Center  
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Submitted by: Christian Haupt

 5/10/16

Approved by: Joe Frichtel

 5/18/16