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Scheduled for consideration by the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission at its regular meeting on May 10, 2016.



**CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE
BEACHES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2016, 6:00 P.M.**

Chair Streger called the Regular Meeting of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of San Clemente to order on Tuesday, April 12, 2016, at 6:01 p.m. in the Council Chambers at San Clemente City Hall located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. Commissioner McCormack led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT Commissioners Linda Chitwood, John Dorey, Nick Gates, Chris McCormack, Tim Shaw, Chair Pro Tem John Bandaruk, Chair Steven Streger

ABSENT None

STAFF PRESENT Pamela Passow, Assistant Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director
Nicholas Giugni, Marine Safety Officer
Maile Stivers, Administrative Assistant

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. March 8, 2016

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, SECOND BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, AND FAILED 3-4 WITH COMMISSIONERS GATES, MCCORMACK, AND SHAW, AND CHAIR STREGER VOTING NOE, to include explanation detail regarding a noe vote on item 5A regarding proposed donation collection boxes by the Center for Natural Lands Management (CNLM) at the Sea Summit environmentally sensitive habitat area.

MOTION BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GATES, AND CARRIED 7-0, to approve the Beaches, Parks, and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of March 8, 2016.

3. CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

A. Department Update

Pamela Passow, Assistant Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, presented photos of the recent Sensational Springtacular event; and previewed upcoming events including the Bonito Canyon Playground Ribbon Cutting on April 14 and the Cinco de Mayo event on May 1.

Nicholas Giugni, Marine Safety Officer, reported recent rescue statistics with warm water and swells increasing rescue activity; reported on ocean safety public education efforts at local elementary schools; reported Junior Lifeguard swim testing is occurring; reported rookie cadets will be training until May 1; and communicated beach safety tips including learning to swim and swimming near a lifeguard.

B. BP&R Activities Report dated 4/12/16

Received and filed.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Park Master Plan Amendment to Vista Hermosa Sports Park's Courtney's Sandcastle Playground

Chair Pro Tem Bandaruk recused himself and left the dais at 6:11 p.m., noting his involvement with the Courtney's Sandcastle Charitable Foundation.

Pamela Passow, Assistant Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding an amendment to the master plan of Vista Hermosa Sports Park's Courtney's Sandcastle Playground to replace engineered wood fibar with rubberized surfacing. Assistant Director Passow established the rock style bench play features are proposed to be removed from the site.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MCCORMACK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, AND CARRIED 6-0-1, WITH CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK RECUSED, to recommend the City Council amend the master plan of Vista Hermosa Sports Park's Courtney's Sandcastle Playground to replace engineered wood fibar with rubberized surfacing.

Chair Pro Tem Bandaruk returned to the dais at 6:14 p.m.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Partnership Agreement with San Clemente Ocean Festival

Pamela Passow, Assistant Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding a partnership agreement with San Clemente Ocean Festival and responded to Commission inquiries.

Peggy Vance, San Clemente Ocean Festival, reviewed the event budget, financial contributions of the organization, and event fundraising efforts; and established it would be difficult for the San Clemente Ocean Festival to continue its current operations without continued support from the City.

During discussion, Commissioners, either individually or in agreement commented:

- Elections will likely increase free speech activities around the event.

MOTION BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GATES, AND CARRIED 7-0, to recommend the City Council direct the City Attorney to draft a partnership agreement between the City and the San Clemente Ocean Festival incorporating the attached event details.

B. Fee Waiver Request by San Clemente Library

Pamela Passow, Assistant Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding a fee waiver request by the San Clemente Library for fees associated with the summer reading program, and responded to Commission inquiries.

Nonie Fickling, Friends of the San Clemente Library (FOL), noted the FOL pays for all expenses related to the summer reading program, and introduced the FOL Bookstore Manager, Cass Jones.

Karen Wall, San Clemente Library, reviewed the goals and operations of the summer reading program; and established it would be difficult for the program to continue without City support.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SHAW, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, AND CARRIED 7-0, to recommend the City Council approve a fee waiver in the amount of \$1,200 for rental and deposit fees associated with the San Clemente Library's summer reading program.

6. PUBLIC INPUT

Don Kunze, San Clemente resident, opined weeds are a problem on some trails; opined the General Plan should be agendized; noted an updated trail map has been issued; opined the Beach Trail bridge needs paint; expressed opposition to \$50 million expense for beach sand; opined Sea Summit Trail is nice, and a pedestrian bridge should be constructed over PCH; noted recent skatepark publicity features a photo of a skateboarder without a helmet, and opined a new skatepark should be constructed across from the police station; opined Donna O'Neill Land Conservancy should have an entrance off Avenida Talega; and opined the City should purchase the Cotton Estate and open it to the public.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Streger, relayed a comment from social media stating a baby swim organization was denied pool space. Assistant Director Passow established the group had applied for use of Ole Hanson Beach Club which is still closed for renovation, and staff has been in contact with the group.

Commissioner McCormack communicated a need for recently installed fan backboards at basketball courts at San Gorgonio Park and Pico Park to be replaced. Assistant Director Passow established staff will investigate further and report back to the Commission.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

A. Subcommittee Reports

None

B. Items from Commissioners

1. Coastal Advisory Committee (CAC) – Commissioner Gates reported the CAC received a presentation on the history of the San Clemente Pier and discussed beach sand loss.
2. Friends of San Clemente Foundation – Commissioner Dorey reported the Springtacular was successful; and reported upcoming events including Cinco de Mayo on May 1, the Sports Hall of Fame induction presentation on May 21, and Golf Tournament on June 24.
3. Courtney's Sandcastle Charitable Foundation (CSC) – Chair Pro Tem Bandaruk reported the Foundation had a recent website redesign, and reported recent discussion and selection of replacement surfacing in the Sensory Garden area of Courtney's Sandcastle playground.

C. Wall of Recognition Committee

Assistant Director Passow reported the Wall of Recognition Committee met and selected the recommended 2016 honoree to be presented to City Council at a future meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business before the Commission, Chair Streger adjourned at 6:57 p.m. to the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission regular meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, CA.

Chairperson and Commissioner of the
Beaches, Parks & Recreation Commission

Beaches, Parks & Recreation Director