



**CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
MINUTES OF THE
BEACHES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018, 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, February 13, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at San Clemente City Hall located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California. Commissioner Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT Commissioners John Dorey, Nick Gates, Charlie Smith, Bernie Wohlfarth,
Chair Pro Tem John Bandaruk, Chair Steven Streger

ABSENT Commissioner Richard Ayer

STAFF PRESENT Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager
Maile Stivers, Administrative Assistant

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 9, 2018

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GATES, AND CARRIED 6-0, to approve the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of January 9, 2018.

3. CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

A. Recreation Division Update

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, presented a map and activities for the upcoming San Clemente Day event.

B. BP&R Activities Report dated 2/13/18

Received and filed.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan – Final Commission Review

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan and responded to Commission inquiries.

Richard Hahn, San Clemente resident, expressed strong support for the creation of a Pickleball court in San Clemente.

Richard Deane, Mission Viejo resident, stated he began attending a Pickleball club in Carlsbad with temporary lines in a church parking lot; stated the club approached the City of Carlsbad to build two courts for \$26,000; stated after two years, the club has over 200 members; stated courts are heavily used, and Carlsbad is considering building two more; and stated Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in North America.

Betsy Jorgensen, San Clemente resident, stated she plays Pickleball seven days per week; stated she began with participation in classes at San Geronio Park; encouraged Commissioners to attend Sendero Pickleball courts; noted the 55 and older community is growing per the Plan; and noted older adults playing Pickleball.

Mike Jorgensen, San Clemente resident, noted the Plan highlighted the 55 and older population; stated he played tennis in the past, and Pickleball is a good alternative; stated there are four courts at Sendero that are heavily played; questioned the possibility of adding language to the Plan to explore the possibility of adding Pickleball courts; opined a short term solution would be to dual stripe an existing tennis court; and opined the potential future park site off Camino Vera Cruz would be a good location for Pickleball courts.

Thomas Tillotson, San Clemente resident, Pickleball is a serious and fun game for adults and younger people to expend the maximum amount of energy; stated it is frustrating to travel to other cities to find a place to play; stated in Colorado, they are fundraising to fund Pickleball; stated it is the fastest growing sport in North America; opined construction of four courts would not meet demand; and stated more information about Pickleball can be found online.

Vern West, San Clemente resident, promoted Pickleball for seniors; stated he was very active when he was younger, and he now can get in the game with Pickleball; stated many seniors can no longer play golf or tennis and would like to enjoy facilities; opined San Clemente would be a good location for a Pickleball Center; and invited Commissioners to play Pickleball.

Raudel Barba, San Clemente resident, stated he coached Pickleball and made good friends; recommended one tennis court at San Luis Rey Park be striped for Pickleball and Tennis; stated he will raise money for the paint to paint the courts; stated he was a former tennis pro; and opined a smaller court with Pickleball is more fun for Baby Boomers.

Susan Ambrose, Chairperson of the Coastal Advisory Committee, endorsed the Commission's recommendation to remove the word Beaches from the title of the document as they have been ignored; supported the recommendation for a separate

plan specific to beaches; requested that 1.11.1 and 6.4.1 recommending the creation of a beach specific plan be listed as a separate bullet point; and volunteered Coastal Advisory Committee services to work on the beach specific master plan.

Anita Duy, San Clemente resident, opined people who visit cities to play Pickleball also visit the city's businesses generating revenue.

Howard Sharp, Lawn Bowling Club president, stated he had a visit from a representative who manufactures and installs turf, and received a verbal estimate of \$275,000 to replace the lawn bowling surface at San Luis Rey Park; invited Pickleball players to Lawn Bowl; and stated he would like to present the written estimate to the Commission when it is received.

Commissioners either individually or in agreement provided the following comments or changes to be made to the Draft Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan:

- The City seal should be round, not oval.
- 6.4.1: There should be a separate bullet point for a beaches master plan.
- The executive summary should include why beaches are omitted.
- An appendix describing the Commission's frustration with the process and the final document should be included.
- The sentence in the agenda report beginning "This plan is not site specific" should be included in the Plan.
- The proposed changes and why they were not made should be listed.
- An attachment compiling suggested modifications should be included.

MOTION BY CHAIR STREGER, SECOND BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, AND CARRIED 6-0, to add verbiage to "Explore the possibility of adding a Pickleball court to Liberty Park (5.2.7), Verde Park (5.2.21), San Gorgonio Park (5.2.18), and San Luis Rey Park (5.2.19).

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GATES, AND CARRIED 6-0, to direct staff to develop a comprehensive list of all proposed changes to the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan indicating which changes were adopted and which were not to be reviewed at a specially set meeting to be held on February 27, 2018.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Partnership Agreement With San Clemente Public Library For Summer Reading Program

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding a request for fee waiver by the San Clemente Public Library for fees associated with the use of the Community Center for its annual Summer Reading Program and responded to Commission inquiries.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, SECOND BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, AND CARRIED 6-0, to recommend the City Council approve a partnership agreement with the San Clemente Public Library for its annual Summer Reading Program, waiving the rental fees and deposit for the use of the Community Center Auditorium.

B. Request For Fee Waiver For Orange County Sheriff To Use City Fields

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding a request for fee waiver by the Orange County Sheriff for fees associated with a three day soccer camp at Vista Hermosa Sports Park and responded to Commission inquiries.

Shannon Back and Deputy Thomas Stammer, representatives of the Orange County Sheriff GRIP Program were available for inquiries.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, SECOND BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, AND CARRIED 6-0, to recommend the City Council waive the park rental and special event fees associated with the Orange County Sheriff GRIP Soccer Camp and helicopter landing at the Vista Hermosa Sports Park April 3-5, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$1,922.

C. San Clemente Art Association Art Gallery Lease Renewal

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding a lease renewal with the San Clemente Art Association for use of the Art Gallery at the San Clemente Community Center.

George Gooch, San Clemente Art Association representative, provided information and responded to inquiries regarding San Clemente Art Association activities and finances.

MOTION BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, AND CARRIED 6-0, to recommend the City Council approve a 5-year lease agreement, with two (2) possible 5-year extensions, for the usage of the Art Gallery at the Community Center by the San Clemente Art Association.

Commissioner Dorey recused himself from discussions regarding the donated pet waste bag stations due to his position with the Friends of San Clemente Beaches, Parks and Recreation Foundation and left the dais at 7:37pm.

D. Consideration Of Agreement With Friends Of San Clemente Foundation To Manage Donated Pet Waste Bag Stations On Public Property

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, summarized the contents of the administrative report regarding a proposal for the Friends of San Clemente Beaches,

2. Friends of San Clemente Foundation – Commissioner Dorey reported the Foundation approved its annual budget noting budget challenges and reduced funding and plans for the pet waste station sponsorship program.
3. Courtney’s Sandcastle Charitable Foundation (CSC) – Chair Pro Tem Bandaruk reported the CSC Foundation is working with other organizations for events and activities for special needs youth.
4. Public Safety Task Force – Chair Pro Tem Bandaruk reported completion of public safety surveys.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business before the Commission, Chair Streger adjourned at 7:56 p.m. to an adjourned regular meeting on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the at Community Center located at 100 N. Calle Seville, San Clemente, California in the Multipurpose Room.



Chairperson and Commissioner of the
Beaches, Parks & Recreation Commission



Beaches, Parks & Recreation Director