

Approved by the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission at its regular meeting on April 10, 2018.



**CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
MINUTES OF THE
BEACHES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018, 6:00 P.M.**

Chair Streger called the Special Meeting of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of San Clemente to order on Tuesday, February 27, 2018, at 6:02 p.m. in the Community Center Multipurpose Room located at 100 N. Calle Seville, San Clemente, California. Commissioner Wohlfarth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT Commissioners Richard Ayer, John Dorey, Bernie Wohlfarth, Chair Pro Tem John Bandaruk, Chair Steven Streger

ABSENT Commissioners Nick Gates and Charlie Smith

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

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 13, 2018

MOTION BY CHAIR PRO TEM BANDARUK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, AND CARRIED 5-0, to approve the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting minutes of February 13, 2018.

3. CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

A. Recreation Division Update

Samantha Thomas, Recreation Manager, reviewed San Clemente Day event activities.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Comments and Proposed Changes to the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan

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

Susan Fischbach, San Clemente resident, stated Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America; opined the low ranking of Pickleball in the survey does not reflect the

popularity of the sport; and opined a tennis court at San Gorgonio Park could be restriped for Pickleball to allow for more players than tennis.

Susan Ambrose, San Clemente resident, questioned the response to the comment regarding the removal of beaches from the title of the document related to future grants in Attachment 1; opined beaches are not adequately addressed in the Plan; expressed concern regarding the inclusion of individual site assessments conflicting with a systematic plan; noted 1.2.1 did not separate beaches as a separate bullet point and should be separated; expressed concern regarding the RFP language stating beaches when they were not adequately addressed; and expressed support for beaches being removed from the title of the Plan, for a separate plan to address beaches to be developed, and for Coastal Advisory Committee involvement in the beach specific plan.

Mike Jorgensen, San Clemente resident, provided an illustration of how four Pickleball courts are laid out on a tennis court; and stated he visited Pickleball courts in Newport Beach with high use next to two empty tennis courts.

Richard Deane, Mission Viejo resident, noted two dedicated Pickleball courts in downtown Carlsbad have competition from other local Pickleball courts and have 500 people who play there regularly; encouraged Commissioners to visit Pickleball courts in Carlsbad noting two more will be constructed due to their popularity; opined Pickleball is infectious and a social activity that brings people together; and opined San Clemente could be the Pickleball center of Orange County.

Bill Miller, San Clemente resident, stated he began playing Pickleball in the city recreation class, and now plays often and loves the sport; noted medical issues prevent him from playing other sports; and noted La Quinta converted a tennis court to Pickleball courts and they are heavily used.

Raudel Barba, San Clemente resident, opined artificial turf surface would not be good for Pickleball play; noted the San Clemente Journal issue about San Clemente Day that mentions Pickleball; expressed support for Pickleball in San Clemente beginning with dual striping of a tennis court for approximately \$700; and expressed support for construction of four dedicated Pickleball courts in the future for approximately \$60,000.

Commissioners either individually or in agreement provided the following comments:

- Large issues are addressed very briefly in the Plan.
- The Beaches, Parks and Recreation Master Plan is an incomplete document.
- There is no objection to the grid of comments and changes prepared by staff.

No action was taken.

5. NEW BUSINESS

None.

6. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

A. Subcommittee Reports

1. Community Events – Commissioner Wohlfarth complemented staff on the San Clemente Day celebrations.
2. Integrated Pest Management Subcommittee - None.

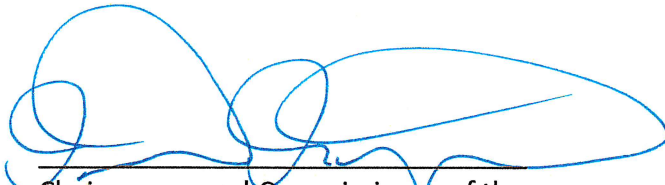
B. Items from Commissioners

1. Coastal Advisory Committee (CAC) – Commissioner Ayer reported the CAC attended a demonstration of falconry combating seagull pollution at Poche Beach.
2. Friends of San Clemente Foundation – Commissioner Dorey reported the Sports Wall of Fame will add two new names with a ceremony on May 19; encouraged nominations for future sports wall of fame additions; reported the Foundation is moving office locations; and reported the Foundation is working to meet the funding requests by the City.
3. Courtney's Sandcastle Charitable Foundation (CSC) – None.
4. Public Safety Task Force – None.
5. BPR Commission Commentary on Proposed Master Plan – Chair Streger summarized the contents of a report titled BPR Commission Commentary on Proposed Master Plan.

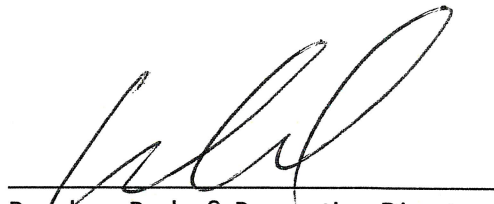
MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOHLFARTH, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DOREY, AND CARRIED 4-0-1 WITH CHAIR STREGER ABSTAINING, to adopt BPR Commission Commentary on Proposed Master Plan as is to be included in the staff report to City Council.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business before the Commission, Chair Streger adjourned at 7:08 p.m. to a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall located at 100 Avenida Presidio, San Clemente, California in the Council Chambers.



Chairperson and Commissioner of the
Beaches, Parks & Recreation Commission



Beaches, Parks & Recreation Director