

Scheduled for consideration by the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission at its regular meeting on June 13, 2023.



**CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE
BEACHES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023 6:00 P.M.**

Chair Rousseau called the Regular Meeting of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission of the City of San Clemente to order on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers located at 910 Calle Negocio, San Clemente, CA. Commissioner Weinstein led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT	Susan Ambrose, Jorine Campopiano, Jennifer Elliott, Rob Feuerstein, Errol Foremaster, Teri Rousseau, Amelia Mae Weinstein
ABSENT	None
STAFF PRESENT	Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director Cecilia Gallardo-Daly, Community Development Director Maile Stivers, Sr. Administrative Assistant

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Update on San Clemente Shoreline Monitoring Program

Cecilia Gallardo-Daly, Community Development Director, presented an overview of the San Clemente Shoreline Monitoring Program.

Greg Hearon, Coastal Frontiers, presented the study area, purpose, surveys, process and findings of the shoreline monitoring program.

In response to Commission questions, Mr. Hearon explained his theory of warm versus cold phases; immediate effects of sand placement; impact of armoring; impact of recent rains; sediment budget; coastal development and population increases impacting beach width; and net movement of sand.

Amanda Q., San Clemente resident, discussed beach changes and damage from construction; and questioned the impact of San Onofre on the sand.

Community Development Director Gallardo-Daly provided an update on the Army Corp Project.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 14, 2023 Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

Concerned Resident, San Clemente resident, expressed concern regarding the minutes' reference to requested information on San Gorgonio Park.

Commissioner Ambrose requested changes to Item 8A, Page 4, as follows:

Coastal Items – Commissioner Ambrose discussed her involvement in the Ocean Protection Council **that featured new programs and available grant monies**; participation in the Ocean Conservation **success** Update on California’s Marine Protected Areas; and Coastal Quest’s workshop series **on environmental justice**.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AMBROSE, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER FEUERSTEIN, AND CARRIED 7-0, to approve the minutes of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of February 14, 2023, as amended.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Patricia Holloway, San Clemente Resident, announced the Arbor Day Celebration on April 28, 2023, 9:00 a.m.; fundraising efforts to purchase trees for planting; and potential Tree City USA designation.

Amanda Q., San Clemente Resident, expressed concern with lack of ADA compliance at City parks; and questioned omissions to historical information on San Gorgonio Park including the 2017 repair of restrooms, 2015 construction, 2013 ADA parking, 2010 scoreboard, 2007 renovation, and 2003-04 lighting.

4. CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND UPDATES

A. Recreation Activities and Events

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed the success of the Fishing Derby at San Clemente Day in March, Sensational Springtacular, and Splashtacular, and apprised the Commission of upcoming events including Garden Fest, Earth Day Beach Cleanup, Cinco De Mayo Fiesta, Bike Safety Rodeo, and Memorial Day Observance.

B. Environmental Services Update

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that the Utilities Director would attend a future meeting to provide an update on water quality and clean ocean act; provided an update on Pier Bacteriologic Study; and reported on Prima Deshecha Basin at Poche Beach bacteria rating.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consideration of Improvements and Upgrades to the Base of Pier and Underpass Area in Partnership with PierPride Foundation

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the report.

Eileen Kawas, PierPride Foundation, provided an overview of PierPride, partnership with the City and stakeholders, community survey and project selection, future Pier Plaza project, and upcoming fundraisers and events. In response to Commission questions, Ms. Kawas provided the meeting schedule and indicated they would assist in communications regarding the sand project.

Commissioners, either individually or in agreement, commented on:

- a potential walk through history
- installation of bike racks

No action taken.

B. Unsolicited Proposal – Installation of Raw Elements Sunscreen Stations on City Beaches

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the report.

Chris Wagaman, Raw Elements, provided an overview of Raw Elements and its mission; their products; and proposal for sunscreen stations. In response to Commission questions, he explained the proposed locations; SPF level in the product; continuation of the pilot program; maintenance of stations; usage of stations; existing locations in Rhode Island and Hawaii; sponsorships; and prior consideration stopped due the COVID-19.

In response to Commission questions, Ms. Wylie discussed the Council's efforts to reduce commercialization on the beaches, signage, and Council approval.

Commissioners, either individually or in agreement, commented on:

- Support for the program but concern with additional signage on the beaches
- Proposed locations
- Concern with timing of installation

Amanda Q., San Clemente resident, expressed concern regarding the use of logos and sponsorships.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FOREMASTER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ELLIOTT, AND CARRIED 5-2, Vice Chair Campopiano and Chair Weinstein dissenting, to approve the pilot program and refer it to the City Council for approval.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AMBROSE, SECOND BY WEINSTEIN, AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, to appoint Commissioner Foremaster and Vice Chair Campopiano to a subcommittee to determine approved locations.

C. Youth Sports Recreation Partnership Policy Review

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the report and responded to Commission inquiries.

Concerned Resident, San Clemente, referenced the policy regarding coordination of games to ensure adequate parking and displayed a video depicting overflow parking.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WEINSTEIN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ELLIOTT, AND CARRIED 7-0, to approve the Youth Sports Recreation Partnership Policy, as corrected.

D. History of San Gorgonio Park Decisions

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the report and responded to Commission inquiries including hours of operation and sound study.

Concerned Resident, San Clemente, expressed frustration that staff did not provide adequate information for the Commission to make decisions regarding the modernization or fixing of wrongs at San Gorgonio Park; and provided information on the park's pickle ball courts, parking, impact to residents, and sound study.

Amanda Q., San Clemente resident, expressed concern that Master Plan for Beach Restrooms recommendations were not implemented; stated it was necessary to focus on public safety and ADA compliance; and questioned when the park became a regional park, with so many activities.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FEUERSTEIN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ELLIOTT, AND CARRIED 5-1-1, COMMISSIONER AMBROSE DISSENTING AND COMMISSIONER WEINSTEIN RECUSED, to receive and file the staff report.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AMBROSE, DIED DUE TO LACK OF A SECOND, to bring the matter back with a complete detailed report of San Gorgonio history and actions taken related to the park.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Beaches, Parks & Recreation Director Report

i. Site-Specific Park Master Plan

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that the Steed Park Package would be presented to the Council in May.

Concerned Resident, San Clemente, stated San Gorgonio Park was a community park, not a regional park and was not engineered for the Pickleball traffic nor skateboards.

Amanda Q, San Clemente resident, expressed concern about public notification regarding the comment period on the Steed Park EIR and suggested the Commission thoroughly discuss the EIR.

ii. Beaches, Parks & Recreation Items

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, provided an update on the hiring fair and staffing and water bottle refill station at T Street; and responded to Commission inquiries regarding the restrooms at the base of the Pier.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

A. Subcommittee Reports

- i. Coastal Items – Commissioner Ambrose stated the Council approved of the Wyland National Mayor’s Challenge and announced Earth Day Beach Cleanup on April 22, 9 a.m.

Commissioner Campopiano provided updates on the Capital Beach Project; Regional Coastal Resilience Plan; OC Public Works sand placement; Artificial Reef Public Workshop on April 5; and Assembly Bill on shoreline erosion control. She indicated she would provide her written report to the Commission.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AMBROSE, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WEINSTEIN, AND CARRIED 7-0, to defer the remainder of Section 8 items to the next meeting.

The following items were tabled:

- ii. Donations and Sponsorships
iii. Youth Sports Partnership Subcommittee

B. Items from Commissioners

- i. PierPride Foundation
ii. Friends of San Clemente Beaches, Parks and Recreation Foundation
iii. Proposed Future Agenda Items

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FEUERSTEIN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ELLIOTT, AND CARRIED 7-0, to adjourn at 8:59 p.m. to a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers located at 910 Calle Negocio, San Clemente, CA.