

Approved by the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission at its regular meeting on August 8, 2023.



**CITY OF SAN CLEMENTE
MINUTES OF THE
BEACHES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 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, June 13, 2023, at 6:05 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, Rob Feuerstein, Errol Foremaster, Teri Rousseau, Amelia Mae Weinstein

ABSENT Jennifer Elliott and Jorine Campopiano

STAFF PRESENT Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director
Maile Stivers, Sr. Administrative Assistant

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 11, 2023 Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Ambrose requested adding the following to Item 8A, Page 5: "and pointed out the challenge forms on water conservation pledge were in the back."

Commissioner Foremaster suggested Chair Weinstein be changed to Commissioner Weinstein on Page 3, Item B.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FEUERSTEIN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER FOREMASTER, AND CARRIED 5-0, COMMISSIONER ELLIOT AND CHAIR PRO TEM CAMPOPIANO ABSENT, to approve the minutes of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of April 11, 2023, as amended.

B. April 24, 2023 Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Special Meeting Minutes

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER FEUERSTEIN, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER WEINSTEIN, AND CARRIED 5-0, COMMISSIONER ELLIOT AND CHAIR PRO TEM CAMPOPIANO ABSENT, to approve the

minutes of the Beaches, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of April 24, 2023.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Suzanne Whitelaw, Save Our Beaches San Clemente, San Clemente Resident, thanked the Commissioners for their work and requested additional workshops with stakeholders and the consultant on the City's Nature Based Solution Study.

4. CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND UPDATES

A. Recreation Activities and Events

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, discussed the recent Cinco De Mayo Fiesta, Bike Safety Rodeo, and Memorial Day Observance. She discussed the upcoming Annual Fire Works Display on July 4 and Summer Concert Series starting July 6.

B. Environmental Services Update

None.

5. OLD 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, summarized the proposal for the Avenida Victoria entrance to the pier; goal of safer access; suggestion to review drainage; lighting, security cameras and public art; and presented suggested modifications.

Commissioners, either individually or in agreement, commented on:

- support for the proposal
- retaining the Palm Grove
- the possibility of widening the steps down
- art, including the history of the pier
- the proposed planking
- retaining the existing tile work
- features to dissuade skating

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Request to Rename Vista Hermosa Sports Park

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, summarized the contents of the report and presentation on park naming and recognition.

In response to Commission questions, Ms. Wylie explained the CARE Program; need to change monument signs; marketing materials; and estimated cost of \$15 to 20K.

Eric Ettlin, San Clemente resident, encouraged honoring John Flagler by renaming Vista Hermosa Sports Park.

Dwight Johnson, San Clemente resident, discussed the sacrifices of John Flagler and urged the Commission to rename the park in his honor.

Brian Hogan, San Clemente resident, indicated support for changing the name of the park.

Ruth, San Clemente resident, expressed condolences to the family of John Flagler and encouraged the Commission to take no action.

Amanda, San Clemente resident, indicated support for not renaming the park.

Commissioners, either individually or in agreement, commented on:

- sympathy to the Flagler family
- others that should be recognized in the same manner
- naming the ballfields after Mr. Flagler and firefighters
- other named parks for outstanding and long term contributions to the City
- first responders memorial

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AMBROSE, SECOND BY CHAIR ROUSSEAU, AND CARRIED 4-0-1, COMMISSIONER WEINSTEIN ABSTAINING AND COMMISSIONER ELLIOT AND CHAIR PRO TEM CAMPOPIANO ABSENT, to take no action on renaming Hermosa Sports Park.

MOTION BY CHAIR ROUSSEAU, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER AMBROSE, AND CARRIED 5-0, COMMISSIONER ELLIOT AND CHAIR PRO TEM CAMPOPIANO ABSENT, to recommend the City Council consider a memorial for fallen first responders.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Beaches, Parks & Recreation Director Report

i. Site-Specific Park Master Plan

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, reported that the Council approved the Steed Park Master Plan and temporary construction of pickle ball courts. She stated the other Master Plans had been put on pause.

ii. Beaches, Parks & Recreation Items

Samantha Wylie, Beaches, Parks and Recreation Director, provided an update on the railroad lines through San Clemente. She discussed the successful

summer camps and Junior Lifeguard program; and expanded aquatic hours of operation.

In response to Commission questions, Ms. Wylie discussed funding for Pickleball courts; ongoing design for permanent courts; and the location for temporary courts.

8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

A. Subcommittee Reports

- i. Coastal Items – Commissioner Ambrose provided an update on the City Council support of AB882 and AB966. She stated she had provided information to staff on coastal issue webinars and the Smart Coast California Virtual Stakeholder meeting on April 14, 10 a.m.
- ii. Coastal Items – Chair Rousseau reported on the recent meeting regarding donations and sponsorships. She discussed efforts of the subcommittee on corporate matches and explained allocation of funds and tracking of donations.

Ruth (no last name provided), San Clemente resident, asked the amount of funds received and use of those funds. She asked if there were future commitments and what those funds were slated for.

- iii. Sunscreen Station Locations – Commissioner Foremaster reported on the two locations. Ms. Wylie stated the matter would be taken to Council for approval.

B. Items from Commissioners

- i. PierPride Foundation

Member Feuerstein announced fundraising dates in October.

- ii. Friends of San Clemente Beaches, Parks and Recreation Foundation

Chair Rousseau reiterated the funds providing an extra concert. She announced the creation of the Facebook page for the Foundation. She stated Friends was approved for two corporate match programs.

- iii. Proposed Future Agenda Items

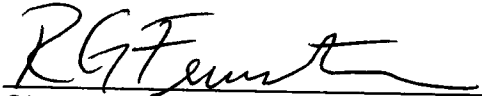
Commissioner Feuerstein expressed concern regarding Ms. Whitelaw's comments regarding stakeholder input on Coastal Resiliency. Ms. Wylie stated she would provide an update from Community Development. Member Ambrose concurred with the need for additional input.

Commissioner Weinstein returned to the dais at 7:44 p.m.

Commissioner Foremaster thanked the outgoing Commissioners.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WEINSTEIN, SECOND BY CHAIR ROUSSEAU, AND CARRIED 5-0, COMMISSIONER ELLIOT AND CHAIR PRO TEM CAMPOPIANO ABSENT, to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. to a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers located at 910 Calle Negocio, San Clemente, CA.


Chairperson of the Beaches, Parks &
Recreation Commission


Beaches, Parks & Recreation
Director