



**AGENDA
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
CITY OF DEL MAR**

City of Del Mar Town Hall
1050 Camino Del Mar
Wednesday, January 9, 2019 – 4:45 PM
City Council Liaison: Sherryl Parks and Dwight Worden

Civility Works: The Del Mar Code of Civil Discourse: Together we will promote inclusion; listen to understand; show respect; be clear and fair; and focus on the issue.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Anyone may address the Parks & Recreation Committee for three minutes on any items listed on the agenda. If there are several speakers on an item, your time available to speak may be limited to two minutes. When the Committee Chairperson recognizes you, please step forward and state your name and address of residence clearly for the record. The committee may ask questions of you, to which you may respond.

For items not on the agenda, please indicate you would like to speak during *Oral Communications*.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (NON-ACTION ITEMS)**

State law precludes the Committee from acting on any topic which is not an action item on the posted agenda. Your information may be received, placed on the next agenda, or referred to the Committee Chairperson.

5. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 12, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

6. STAFF UPDATES.

- A. Status of Map that shows all City Parks, Trails and Paths (Mohsen/Chase).
- B. Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project list. Obtain feedback from committee (Mohsen/Chase).

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS / ACTION

- A. Reschedule the February 2019 committee meeting to February 6, 2019. The meeting will start at the usual time, 4:45 pm. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Jack).
- B. Replace Missing “Welcome to the Kid Friendly Zone. No Pets Allowed” Sign in Powerhouse Park. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Jack).

- C. Fire Hazard (or similar) sign added to Crest Canyon Park. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Felise/Jack).
- D. Advisory recommendation to the City that it should, if the lawful opportunity presents itself, purchase the property adjacent to the Scripps Bluff Preserve to create a new City Park. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Jack).
- E. Formation of a Scripps Bluff Preserve subcommittee that will regularly report to the committee. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Jack).
- F. Report from the Mobile App Sub-Committee: status of the development of a mobile application to provide users with City park information, request for feedback. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Claire and Mac).
- G. Goals, Policies and Regulatory Standards related to the Scripps Bluff Preserve: discuss work product created by committee member Claire McGreal to respond to work product created by Matt Bator, AICP, Principal Planner for the City. Committee discussion and possible related committee action (Claire).

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Proposed Drone legislation for Del Mar (Jack Peterson).
- B. Report from the City on Proposed Regional Drone legislation (UNK).
- C. Report from the Mobile App Sub-Committee: development of a mobile application to provide users with City park information (Claire and Matt).
- D. Presentation on the Brown Act (Mohsen/Chase).
- E. Invited Discussion: Status report / presentation on streetscape projects in the City, such as that planned from 9th to 15th Streets.

9. REMINDER

NEXT MEETING: February 6, 2019 at 4:45 PM

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Meeting of Dec. 12, 2018

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1. Call to Order: 4:44 PM

2. Roll:

Present: Jack Peterson, Chair, Claire McGreal, Mary Friestedt, Felise Levine, Andrea Moreno, Mac McLoughlin, members; Mohsen Maali, Deputy Director of Public Works ("PW"), Mark Rathsam, Life Guard Dept.; Matt Bator, Planning Dept.

Absent: Council Liaison Sherryl Parks.

3. Announcements

- A. Claire announced that Linda Chisari has applied or intends to apply for the vacant seat on the P&RC.
- B. Jack announced that P&RC will move the date of its February 2019 meeting to Feb. 6 to allow the Foundation to use the Town Hall. Jack will let members know if the Town Hall is available on Feb. 6, 2019.
- C. Jack announced the App /Website Subcommittee will have a standing place on the monthly agendas of the P&RC.
- D. Jack announced that there will be an agenda item next month to create a standing subcommittee on the Scripps Bluff Preserve.
- E. Mac asked Mohsen to add a list of our City Parks to the map showing the City's Paths and Trails. Mohsen agreed to do so.

4. Oral Communications

Resident Neal Gobar wants the City to purchase the former Helen Woodward estate, next to the Scripps Bluff Preserve to be used as a park, and a transition between the northern-most 2 lots and the Preserve.

Mr. Gobar believes the P&RC should be involved if there is any such option for the City.

Resident Brett Gobar spoke on the same issue, stating that if there is an opportunity, the City should be proactive in making the purchase. Mr. Gobar stated the proposed Resort is out of character for Del Mar, and the land should be used as a park, as it is a precious coastal resource. He believes the P&RC members should tell this to the members of the City Council.

5. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Nov. 14, 2018 meeting were approved as sent.

6. Staff Updates

- A. Mohsen announced the creation of a cloud-based file hosting site for members of the P&RC to use to share documents and photos with members of the City Staff. We can learn to use it by contacting Emily or Chris in the IT Dept.
- B. Mohsen also distributed City 2019 Calendars to P&RC members who missed the Volunteer Appreciation event.
- C. Mohsen distributed the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for PW, and it will be on our January or February agenda.

7. Committee Reports / Actions

- A. *Lighting in Parks* - P&RC considered 4 options for new lighting in Seagrove Park, and one option for lighting in Powerhouse Park.

ACTION: P&RC after discussion, motion and second, voted 6-0 to add 14 new light bollards to Seagrove Park.

ACTION: P&RC, after discussion, motion and second, voted 5-1 to add 8 new bollard lights to Powerhouse Park.

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- B. *Capital Improvement Budget* - Mohsen distributed copies of the Public Works Dept.'s proposed Capital Improvement Open Space project request list. The P&RC members will study the proposed list and come prepared to discuss and possibly act on it at the next meeting with recommendations (if any). (Reminder to P&RC members to study those materials, and to bring them to the next meeting.)
- C. *Fire Hazard Signs in Crest Canyon Park* - Felise would like to see some signs in Crest Canyon warning visitors not to smoke or use fire in the canyon. Mohsen reminded the P&RC that the vast majority of Crest Canyon is in the City of San Diego, and perhaps they should handle the matter. Jack volunteered to make that contact with the appropriate San Diego staffer.
- D. *Inspection of Paths and Trails* - Jack reported that all paths and trails, with the exception of one, have been inspected and reports completed. Mac volunteered to do the last remaining trail this week.
- E. *Possible need for more DG for paths in Preserve* - Jack reviewed the Preserve paths, and reported that the hypotenuse path has some decomposed granite (DG), but the other 2 paths do not. It was decided to take no action at this time.

F. *Dog Yoga Sign at Shores Park*

ACTION: The P&RC, after discussion, motion and second, voted 5-0 to allow the hanging of a Dog Yoga Sign, measuring approximately 8X10 feet, at the fence near the playing field at Shores Park to provide some shade, and to remind people to scoop after their dogs, and of the hours when dogs are allowed.

- G. *Response to City's Draft Goals, Policies and Standards for A Specific Plan for the Preserve* - Claire distributed her Response to the City's Draft Goals, Policies and Standards for a Specific Plan for the Preserve. (A copy of which is attached hereto.) The five page document will be discussed by the members at the January meeting.

Claire informed the Committee of her reasons for creating the document, and the preparations she took to do so, including reviewing all the underlying documents creating the Preserve, and the subsequent agreements creating restrictions on uses of the Preserve.

Claire also summarized part of the City Council's discussion on the "Draft Goals" prepared by Matt Bator of the Planning Department. The Council discussed 3 possible options for such a document: 1) have an independent City Specific Plan; 2) Have one integrated Specific Plan for the Resort which includes the Preserve; or 3) a hybrid of the two whereby the City's Plan is a "chapter" in the Resort's Specific Plan.

Matt explained that environmental review is required. An initial review is made. Then potential impacts determine which kind of report should be done. The potential impacts determine whether it is a full-blown Environmental Impact Report (EIR), a mitigated negative declaration, or other type of report. It might be possible that environmental review only of the Preserve could get by with a mitigated negative declaration since no building or excavation is contemplated for the Preserve.

Matt further explained that the City has on-call consultants that the City would use for its Initial Review.

8. Future Agenda Topics

- A. Report from Mobile App Subcommittee
- B. Creation standing subcommittee for Preserve Issues
- C. Formal change of date for Feb. 2019 meeting
- D. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed CIP for PW
- E. Discussion and possible action regarding Claire's Response to City's Draft Goals, Policies and Standards for the Specific Plan for the Preserve.

9. Adjourned: 5:55 PM.

10. Next Meeting: Jan. 9, 2019 at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Claire McGreal, Secretary to P&R C

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(Claire's Response to Matt's Attachment A)

DRAFT GOALS, POLICIES AND REGULATORY STANDARDS FOR THE CITY'S SPECIFIC PLAN FOR THE NORTH BLUFF PRESERVE (December 2018)

Overall Goal

The North Bluff Preserve (NBP) shall be permanently maintained as a natural park, providing for native coastal habitat, protection of coastal bluffs, and a passive recreational opportunity for the public to enjoy scenic coastal views to and from the top of the bluff-top park.

Policies

- A. Physical improvement to the NBP shall be limited only to those activities that:
 - 1) promote restoration of native habitat,
 - 2) provide one controlled pedestrian access to the NBP at the furthest point of the NBP's northwest boundary with the adjacent private property,
 - 3) make improvements to the public access point to the NBP from the south / southeast via North Beach, and
 - 4) prevent and/or control erosion.
- B. Structural improvements within the NBP shall be limited to:
 - 1) fencing for perimeter demarcation, access control and public safety,
 - 2) bench replacements, if needed. Benches shall be limited to no more than 4 backless benches, and one bench with a back (as exist at present),
 - 3) regulatory signage, and
 - 4) drainage facilities for "on-site" storm water control.
- C. Fencing between the NBP and private property shall be 6 feet tall, rubber/vinyl covered chain link, with fabric of dark green or black in color. (Per 1980 and 1994 Agreements). Any other types of fencing utilized within the NBP shall be as natural in character and materials as possible and shall be designed to limit potential obstruction of scenic view, both to and from the NBP.
- D. Where appropriate and possible, fencing and barriers may be screened by vegetation.
- E. Signage within the NBP shall be for governmental regulation purposes only.
- F. The NBP shall be limited to daytime use, from sun up to sun down.
- G. Dogs shall NOT be allowed in the NBP at any time.
- H. Motorized vehicles (with the exception of City vehicles for emergency or maintenance purposes), bicycles, and skateboards are NOT allowed in the BNP.
- I. Smoking cigarettes or any other materials, vaping electronic cigarettes, and alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted in the NBP.
- J. There shall be no noise, light or visual pollution emanating from the adjacent private property to the NBP.
- K. There shall remain one public pedestrian point of access to the NBP from North Beach to the stairs and vertical path leading up to the bluff-top NBP.
- L. A second single point of pedestrian access to the NBP may be provided on the northwest border with the adjacent private property. If provided, such access shall be gated and locked during hours of darkness, and be limited to controlled usage, to limit the potential for degradation of natural resources to the NBP.
- M. The Developer of the adjacent private property shall create a public walking path along the western border of the private property. One gated and controlled pedestrian access to the NBP from the private property may be created from the northwestern most point of the NBP only for daytime usage. That gated access shall be locked at sun down, and unlocked at sun up.

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- N. There shall be no lifeguard facilities on the BNP. Lifeguard facilities shall remain on the beach at North Beach.
- O. No lighting, trash receptacles, restrooms, picnic tables, playground equipment, or any other "furniture" shall be allowed in the NBP, with the exception of the aforementioned 5 benches and possible camera(s).
- P. Any and all new plants, trees or shrubs (collectively herein "plants") in the NBP shall be California natives and drought tolerant. There shall be no permanent water irrigation located in the NBP. If new plants need water, temporary water barrels with drip systems shall be set near the new plants until no longer needed, but in no case for more than one year.
- Q. The existing double gated entrance at the northeast section of the NBP, at the boundary with the private property, shall remain in existence for use by the City for emergency and maintenance vehicles. (1980 and 1994 Agreements).
- R. If the City Council deems it necessary for public security, health and safety, the City may place and use City-owned and operated camera equipment in the NBP, and shall not be constrained by Regulatory Standard #3.

Regulatory Standards (Note: the first three standards below are taken directly from the recorded "Declaration of Restrictions" entered into by the City of Del Mar in 1971 upon acquiring the property)

- 1. No road, alley, driveway or other facility providing vehicular ingress or egress shall be constructed, erected, placed or permitted on any portion of the NBP. The existing double-gated access may remain for use only by City emergency and maintenance vehicles. (1980 and 1994 agreements).
- 2. No restrooms, picnic facilities, playground equipment or similar installations shall be constructed, erected, placed or permitted on any portion of the NBP.
- 3. The only public access to the NBP shall be a footpath from the southerly or southeasterly portion of the NBP, from the beach at North Beach.
- 4. No lighting fixtures or facilities shall be constructed, erected, placed or permitted on any portion of the NBP.
- 5. In accordance with DMMC Section 8.04.080-C, it shall be unlawful for any person to enter upon the NBP during the hours of darkness.
- 6. In accordance with DMMC Section 8.04.080-B, it shall be unlawful for dog owners to allow their dogs to enter the NBP.
- 7. Access to the NBP shall be controlled and limited to no more than two entry points of entry: one at the top of the NBP at its most northwestern point, and one public access point at the bottom (beach level) of the NBP.
- 8. With the exception of the one controlled access point at the NW border with the private property, a physical barrier consisting of 6 foot rubber/vinyl coated chain link fencing shall separate the NBP from the adjacent private property. (1980 and 1994 Agreements).
- 9. Refuse and recycling containers shall be located only at the two access points to the NBP, one on the private property controlled access point at the northwestern most point of the NBP, and one at the public access at North Beach before the stairs leading to the vertical path up to the NBP.
- 10. City drainage facilities serving only the interest and drainage needs of the Preserve (not the adjacent private property) may be allowed and constructed within the NBP, subject to review and approval by the City Council.
- 11. All improvements to the NBP shall receive all necessary discretionary approvals applicable and required by the Del Mar Municipal Code. All discretionary applications shall be subject to review and approval by the City Council.
- 12. Any camera equipment allowed by the City Council shall be visually screened from general public view to the maximum extent possible and shall be placed at a height no greater than necessary to protect public health and safety.