



## PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Members Present	Staff Present	Public Present
Doug Goad, Chair, District 3 Rob Hutsel, Vice-Chair, District 4 Mike McCoy, District 1 Susie Murphy, District 1 Bert Long, District 3 Ed Spaeth, District 2 Susan Hector, District 4 Paul Davis, District 5	Brian Albright, Director <u>Management Division</u> Jason Hemmens, Deputy Director Charles Gailband, Region Manager Kevin Payton, Parks Recreational Supervisor Blanca Castillo, Administrative Secretary	None

### MINUTES

1. Call to Order – 8:33 am
2. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK - None
3. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 MINUTES  
 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 MINUTES
  - Committee Member Long motioned as amended; Committee Member Hutsel 2<sup>nd</sup> ALL IN FAVOR – 8-0-0
4. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM NOT ON TODAY’S AGENDA
  - Rob Hutsel shared that the River park received a 1-million-dollar match grant from the Conrad Prebys Foundation for the River Education Center in Mission Valley.
  - Susie Murphy thanked Brian and staff on the Alpine County park. She also complimented Brian on the Greg Cox bike park.
  - Susan Hector mention that she stopped by Campo and noticed that the Stone Store is still closed and inquired on the status or efforts to preserve the opened space around the Stone Store. Brian added that this assignment for the overall project was giving to the Department of Planning and Development Services, and it involves some rezones.
  - Doug Goad mentioned that he spoke to Deborah Mosley regarding Campo and Star Ranch. They spoke on possible cattle to manage wildfire and keep the brush down and under control. There was a discussion between the committee on this subject. Doug also mentioned the trails and discussed the map that was sent out to the committee. There will be more on trails on the May agenda.
  - Paul Davis mentioned carbon credits and asked if the county is looking into adding solar to the county parks. Brian offered the committee to look at the report that District 3 has on their website regarding a list of priorities.
  - There was a discussion on the CINA report.

5. PLDO & CSA FUND BALANCE REPORTS

- Reports were distributed prior to the meeting via e-mail.
- Director Brian Albright reported that the county formally accepted its newest county service area, CSA138 which is for Valley Center that was previously known as the Valley Center Community District. DPR is now the new owner and operators of Valley Center and the Board has also approved additional funding to maintain. There is an Advisory Committee being created for CSA138.
- Brian made a comment on PLDO regarding the Green Light for Parks Initiative that former Supervisor Dianne Jacob brought forward.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORT – Brian Albright, Director

- Brian mentioned the creation on the San Diego River task force where the committee will be updated. Tijuana River Valley task force is also been created.
- Brian mentioned three items coming up at the Board of Supervisor meeting in May for consideration that involves funding allocations. On May 5<sup>th</sup> the final component of the Sweetwater campground expansion is moving forward this year and to complete the carport project outside the community center building. On May 19<sup>th</sup>, two items are going forward. One is to adopt the CEQA and advertise award of a contract for the volunteer pads at El Monte and the Old Iron park to add and improve. The second item is a two million dollars the Board of Supervisors appropriated to help implement the tree planting program. Brian also mentioned The Greg Cox bike park is near completion and the grand opening will take place on site sometime in April.

7. PARKS & LIBRARIES COLLABORATION - Kevin Payton, Charles Gailband and Jason Hemmens presented.

Highlights to include:

- Collaborations
- Physical Space and Use Collaborations
- Joint Programming Collaborations – Park and Libraries joining together
- Information and Resource Collaborations
- Community Events – Example, Dia de Los Muertos Festival - Virtual
- Day events – Examples, Basketball Activities, SD Nights, Crossover Events to promote a book.
- Ongoing Programs – Examples; gardening club and presentation events hosted by SDSU
- Bringing Reading to Parks
- Questions from the Committee

8. ADJOURNMENT – 9:47 am

- MOTION TO ADJORN – Committee Member Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Committee Member Murphy ALL IN FAVOR – 8-0-0
- The next meeting is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021.