



PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 11th, 2021

Members Present	Staff Present	Public Present
Doug Goad, Chair, District 3 Rob Hutsel, Vice-Chair, District 4 Javier Alvarado, District 1 Susie Murphy, District 1 Ed Spaeth, District 2 Susan Hector, District 4 Paul Davis, District 5	Brian Albright, Director <u>Management Division</u> Deborah Mosley, Group Program Manager Blanca Castillo, Administrative Secretary	None

MINUTES

1. Call to Order – 8:43 am
 - Brian Albright welcomed new District 1 appointed member, Javier Alvarado. Bert Long will be terming out and this will be his last meeting.
 - Brian also made the committee members aware that the Board of Supervisors approved a new appointee for District 3, Sam Nejabat to start in July.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK - None

3. APPROVAL OF THE MAY 14TH, 2021 MINUTES
 - MOTION TO APPROVE – Committee Member Spaeth, 2nd Committee Member Davis ALL IN FAVOR – 7-0-0

4. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM NOT ON TODAY’S AGENDA
 - Rob Hutsel reported that Chairman Nathan Fletcher held a task force meeting. There was a mini fundraising drive and acquired three more properties. The Nature Center was awarded a 1-million-dollar match grant from the Conrad Prebys Foundation.
 - Susie Murphy reported that she attended the in-person budget meeting with Supervisor Vargas.
 - Ed Spaeth made the committee aware that the acquisition DPR has with Romana Grassland preserve, the property adjacent to it is up for sale.
 - Doug asked if the community center buildings were opened on June 15th, Brian confirmed.
 - The committee members had a discussion regarding homelessness.
 - Susan Hector shared that Old Town and Balboa Park are opening back up.
 - Paul Davis asked about government programs and how this would affect the county parks. Paul also asked Brian if parks will be going solar in the future Regarding renewable energy, Brian responded and stated that Public parkland will not be used to generate and resale renewable energy for uses outside of DPR at this time. New county parks projects moving forward will be an additive alternate as part of the construction. Paul also asked how parks and campgrounds are doing since the

reopening and are they generating more income. Brian reported that DPR is up 17% up from last year.

5. PLDO & CSA FUND BALANCE REPORTS

- Reports were distributed prior to the meeting via e-mail.
- Brian reported that there were no major adjustments on the reports. Mentioned that he reached an agreement with a landowner to acquire a property in the San Dieguito area to build a park. There is funding set to expire that can be used towards acquisition of this park. Brian is hopeful to take this to the board of supervisors in the next couple of months and make an announcement before the end of the year of a new park site in the San Dieguito area.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORT – Brian Albright, Director

- Brian welcomed new appointed committee member Javier Alvarado and expressed his gratitude to Bert Long service with the committee.
- Brian reported that this week has been a full week of budget meetings and are now complete. The Budget is scheduled to be approved on Tuesday, June 29th.
- Brian made the committee aware of the items coming up at the June 30th Board of Supervisors meeting. Two Board letter acquisition for Paradise Mountain as part of the MSCP program and Hidden Meadows Area. The Annual Levy (property tax assessments) and MSCP report will move forward and a new lease for the Whaley House for the board to consider.
- Brian also reported on the San Diego River Task Force. This will be Brian's first chance to manage and enhance infrastructure funding district which will come forward to the board for consideration in the next couple of months.

7. MSCP ANNUAL REPORT- Deborah Mosley Group Program Manager, and Lizzy Bendrick, Trails Program Manager presented.

Highlights to include:

- (MSCP) Multiple Species Conservation Program
- MSCP plan area
- 23 years of preservation through 2020
- 2020 acquisitions
- 2020 South County MSCP Subarea Plan Accomplishments – Covered projects, management activities and monitoring
- Habitat restoration to benefit MSCP covered species
- Golden eagle management plan

There was a discussion between the committee members and DPR staff on the MSCP annual report.

8. ADJOURNMENT – 10:05 am

- Before the meeting was adjourned Javier Alvarado gave a small bio of himself.
- MOTION TO ADJORN AND IN RECOGNITION FOR BERT LONG'S SERVICE ON THE COMMITTEE – Committee Member Hutsel, 2nd Committee Member Goad ALL IN FAVOR – 7-0-0
- The next meeting is scheduled for July 9th, 2021.