



**OTAY VALLEY REGIONAL PARK (OVRP)
CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)**

July 18th, 2019

2:00pm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: CAC Chair

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 18, 2019 – The meeting minutes for the April 18, 2019 meeting were approved unanimously with minor edits.

1. OVRP BIKE SKILLS PARK UPDATE

- Chelsea Jander presented an overview of the project, which was an update to the presentation that was given at the May 30th PC-CAC meeting. Joint staff has determined that prefabricated design features would be the best option to allow for continuous use of the Bike Skills Park throughout the year. The City of Chula Vista will be maintaining the park upon completion.

2. BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA – OTAY LAKES CAMPGROUND PROJECT

- Josh Bugiel presented an update on the Otay Lakes Campground project, which is being modified to avoid sensitive species found within the proposed project area.

3. RIVER PARTNERS PRESENTATION – PROPOSITION 68 GRANT

- John Carlon, President of River Partners provided a presentation of a proposed project with the City of Chula Vista to acquire 25.3 acres of land for Light Industrial, Parkland & Open Space. River Partners would submit the application for a Proposition 68 grant to acquire the property, which would be owned by the City of Chula Vista. Thirteen acres would be used for a City park and 11 acres would be preserved as open space. The remaining land would be developed with a business park. Restoration/rehabilitation of the full 25.3-acre site to a mix of business park, open space, and public park will provide a model for future habitat restoration projects across the entire Otay Valley Regional Park.

4. CAC SUBCOMMITTEE ROSTER

- The Committee needs an updated list of the members in each subcommittee. CAC Chair Vogel suggested each subcommittee meet directly after the CAC meeting to become

acquainted with one another and review upcoming tasks.

5. RANGER REPORT

Western OVRP, Ranger Mika Shimada – City of San Diego

- Mika Shimada was absent; Laura Ball provided a brief summary highlighting the City's priorities on new purchase recommendations. Laura Ball also mentioned Ranger Shimada is working closely with OVRP Ranger Wesley to assist in his development as a ranger.

Eastern OVRP, Ranger Lauren Raduc – County of San Diego

- Lauren Raduc commented on the high volume of visitors to Otay Lakes County Parks during this time of year. Movies in the Park has been very well-attended and County rangers are keeping very busy.

6. CAC CHAIR COMMENTS

- CAC Chair Vogel mentioned his term is expiring at the end of the year and that the Committee will need to elect a new Committee Chair.

7. VICE CHAIR COMMENTS

- Vice Chair John Zarem wanted the Committee to be aware of a potential development located south of Main Street. The applicant for the project has already applied to rezone and develop the area with the City of San Diego. The project is proposing a 4-story apartment building with 350 units & 500 parking spaces.

8. SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Adjacent Development Review Subcommittee - None

Trails Subcommittee

- Committee member Galaz mentioned that the Rock House trail switchbacks are still being used, which is causing damage in the area because people are not using the actual developed trail. His team is working closely with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service on this issue and will go back to make further modifications to the trail (when it is cooler) to address the issue.
- Committee member Galaz also informed the CAC about the Bike the Bay event that will be held on August 25th

COYIS - None

Economic/Habitat Restoration Subcommittee - None

9. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- There will be no meeting on September 19th and the next OVRP CAC meeting will be on October 24th.
- Crystal Benham is sitting in as Joint Staff for County of San Diego until there is a new permanent OVRP Joint Staff member hired to represent the County. The County team suggests that it may be beneficial to reformat the minutes into a list/dot point format for conciseness. The Committee agreed to test the newly proposed format for the July 18th minutes that will be presented at the October 24th meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – CAC Chair, 2nd Committee member J. Schneider
 ALL IN FAVOR – 13-0-0

ADJOURNMENT – 3:11PM

NEXT MEETING IS ON OCTOBER 24TH

CAC MEMBER ATTENDEES

John Vogel	John Zarem	John Swanson
Robert Miller	Mike McCoy	Joan Schneider
Emma Reese	Jose Galaz	Darin Gray
Ben McCue	Vinit Jensen	Lisa Cumper
Mark Kukuchek	Susie Murphy	Ben Vallejos

STAFF PRESENT

Crystal Benham	Michael Walker	Joanna Truex
Lauren Raduc	Harold Phelps	Gerardo Ramirez
Josh Bugiel	Mark Caro	Chelsea Jander
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