

**MINUTES
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
SUNSET CLIFFS NATURAL PARK COUNCIL**

August 6, 2018

Meeting held at:

Cabrillo Recreation Center
3051 Cañon St.
San Diego, CA 92106

Mailing address is:

Park and Recreation/DRP Div.
Attn: Vincent Paniagua, SCNPC Staff Rep.
2125 Park Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92101

CALL TO ORDER

By Gene Berger, Chair, at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kim Haynes moved to approve the July 9, 2018 SCNPC draft Minutes. Pat Galligher seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS *(limited to items not on the agenda; limited to 5 minutes each; not debatable; communications are the opinion of the speaker and have not been voted on or approved by SCNPC).*

No communications.

POLICE REPORT - Officer Surwilo or Ricardo Piñon

Absent. No report.

[Please continue to call for police help at Police Non-Emergency 619-531-2000, concerning need for police enforcement/crime incidences in SCNP/park neighborhoods. If immediate emergency, call 911. Officer Surwilo may be reached online at dsurwilo@pd.sandiego.gov.]

LIFEGUARD REPORT – Sergeant Lonnie Stephens

Absent. No report.

CORRESPONDENCE-- Rosamaria Acuna

No Report.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Pat Gallagher

Pat Gallagher reported that there is \$3,235.33 in checking account and \$771.19 in savings account.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Barbara Keiller

No report.

Barbara reminds members to send Barbara an email for excused absences during 2018. Send to Barbara@Keiller.net or call Barbara at 619-223-2784.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT – Gene Berger, Chair

Gene Berger reported on the City Council hearing which was held this afternoon (8/6/18). He thanked all SCNPC members who attended and spoke. The City Council unanimously voted \$1.8 million for the Coastal Erosion and Access/Ladera Street Beach Access Stairway Emergency Project.

STAFF REPORT – Vince Paniagua

Vince Paniagua reported on vandalism in the park construction area. Vince will follow up on progress of the falling-person signs SCNPC has requested.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 REPORT – Conrad Wear

Absent. No report.

PENINSULA COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD LIAISON – Don Sevens

No report.

ACTION ITEMS

201. Authorization for funds – Pat Gallagher

No request.

202. Motion for Letter to San Diego lifeguards

MOTION: Recommend the SCNPC write a letter to SD lifeguards requesting that they pay special attention to safety at “No Surf” during high surf.

MOTION: Moved by Dedi Ridenour; seconded by Dalana Pursel

MOTION: Motion passed unanimously (15 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain)

203. Motion for rip currents sign

MOTION: Recommend posting a sign at “No Surf” indicating potential rip currents, especially during high surf.

MOTION: Moved by Dedi Ridenour; seconded by Barbara Keiller

MOTION: Motion passed (14yes; 0 no; 1 abstain)

BACKGROUND FOR MOTIONS 204 and 205 MOTIONS

At the July 9, 2018 meeting of the SCNPC, project manager Jeff Cramoline gave a brief presentation regarding the proposed Ladera Street Bluff Stabilization Project. The following are answers to subsequent questions from the SCNPC regarding the Ladera Street Bluff Stabilization Project as provided by project manager, Jeff Cramoline:

- 1) What is the scope of this project? *Approximately 70-90 linear feet of the Point Loma Formation bluff face will be scaled of loose rock. The top terrace deposits in this area will be graded back to a 1:1 slope only in areas that are not already sloped as such.*
- 2) Has a permit been obtained? *For this emergency, the City was issued an Agreement for an Emergency Coastal Development Permit. The agreement stipulates that the City can move forward with emergency work with the understanding that after the fact Site Development and Coastal Development permits will be prepared upon completion of construction.*
- 3) Are potential negative environmental impacts being evaluated? *When developing the scope of work for emergency projects, the City takes care to minimize the impacts to the environment to alleviate the*

emergency situation. Project biologists and Development Services review the scope to verify impacts are reduced to the greatest extent possible only addressing the immediate emergency situation. Following completion of the project, mitigation will be implemented as called for in the after the fact permits.

4) What is the timeline for this project? *The design for stabilizing the bluff is anticipated to be completed within the next two weeks. After the City approves, the contractor will mobilize immediately. Construction is anticipated to last 2-4 months. Concurrently our consultant will be evaluating the street drainage in the area. Issues will be addressed if they directly relate to the emergency.*

Jeff Cramoline added: *“This project was declared an emergency based on the request from life guards for a safe access point during emergency situations. As an emergency we are granted certain waivers with the understanding that the project will only focus on the immediate emergency. This project only addresses the need to open the staircase as soon as possible to provide safe access for life saving personnel during beach emergencies or water rescues.*

This afternoon (8/6/2018) the San Diego City Council unanimously approved \$1.8M for “Reallocation of Funds to AGF00006 Coastal Erosion and Access/Ladera Street Beach Access Stairway Emergency Project.”

The Ad Hoc Bluff Stabilization Emergency Committee met on Monday, July 27th, as announced. After much discussion, the ad hoc committee prepared motions 204 & 205 which follow.

204. Request City do full environmental review of bluff stabilization proposal

MOTION: Recommend the City do a full environmental review of the emergency Ladera Street bluff stabilization proposal before moving forward, and appeal the current emergency classification to the California Coastal Commission.

MOTION: Moved by Cammie Ingram; seconded by Dalana Pursel

MOTION: Motion passed unanimously (16 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain)

205. Recommend the City consider moving the coastal access farther south.

MOTION: Recommend the City consider moving the coastal access farther south, as

proposed as a possibility in the Sunset Cliffs Natural Park Master Plan, instead of pursuing the \$1.8 million dollar emergency proposal for bluff stabilization at the Ladera Street access.

MOTION: Moved by Ann Swanson; seconded by Kim Haynes

MOTION: Motion passed (15 yes; 0 no; 1 abstain)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

301. Trails/Coastal Conservancy Grant Project (HIP) – Ellen Quick

In Ellen Quick's absence, Ann Swanson gave this report for both the HIP and the DIP:

Elizabeth Schroth-Nichols asked us to share the following information item:

“I would like to inform the SCNPC that we are moving forward with plans to implement a portion of the Drainage project into the current construction of the Hillside Improvements Phase 2 project. We are still very much in the design phase of the Drainage project.

The approved conceptual plans for the Drainage project include a pipe that will convey drainage from a basin at the Young Hall parking lot into the proposed new drainage conveyance system. This pipe is shown to be located beneath the old ball field. In order for us to properly complete the trail through this ball field and the revegetation portion and the subsequent 5-year maintenance and monitoring phase of the Hillside Improvements Phase 2 project, we are proposing to install a portion of drainage pipe in the ball field prior to planting. **At this time this pipe will be capped and will not be connected to anything and will not be in use.** The idea being when we go to construction on the Drainage project we will connect into this pipe that has already been buried without having to disrupt the sensitive revegetation habitat within the pipe alignment.

As we have discussed with you and the rest of the SCNPC, we plan to bring you the design for the Drainage project as we move further along for discussion and approval.”
[Bold added by Ellen]

302. Drainage Project Committee (DIP) – Ann Swanson

See above ACTION ITEMS.

303. Water Management and Erosion Committee (WMEC) – Dedi Ridenour

See above ACTION ITEMS.

304. Revegetation Committee– David Kimball

No report.

305. Education Committee – Barbara Keiller

The committee will be meeting at the end of September to work further on interpretive signs for the park’s linear section.

306. Publicity – Faith Hussey

No report.

307. Safety Committee –Marty Kolb

Speaking for Marty Kolb, Jean Nathan relayed the committee’s concern about motor scooter issues. Judy McEntyre read the City’s motor scooter regulations which Marty has obtained.

308. Western Loop Road Ad Hoc Committee – Pat Gallagher

No report.

309. Northern Entry Project – Scott Opis

No report.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The *August 6, 2018 SCNPC meeting email notice* included these attachments:

August 6, 2018 Meeting Agenda; July 9, 2018 **Draft** Minutes; Attendance Record January – July 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objections, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m..

Judith S. McEntyre
Judith S. McEntyre, Recording Secretary

Gene Berger
Gene Berger, Chair

9-10-18
Date of Approval

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting
September 10, 2018
Cabrillo Recreation Center
3051 Cañon St., San Diego, CA 92106