



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

May 18th, 2023

2:00pm

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER – 2:05 pm by CAC Chair, John Zarem

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No Public Comment

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 16TH, MINUTES

MOTION to APPROVE AS AMENDED – CAC Vice Chair Susie Murphy, 2nd CAC Member Rick Richardson

ALL IN FAVOR – 6-0-0

AGENDA ITEMS

1. UPDATE ON EMERGENCY SHELTER (CHULA VISTA)

- Chula Vista Joint Staff member Angelica Davis reported on the Bridge Shelter ribbon cutting on Thursday, May 19th and announced full operations began as of Monday, May 15th. Joint Staff member Angelica highlighted the resources that are available for residents including trainings and amenities.
- Feedback was provided by the CAC members on the following topics: the north side of the Bridge Shelter, shower areas, community room, laundry room, common space, priority on residents, Imperial Beach partnership with City of Chula on access on beds, landscaping at the Bridge Shelter, the length of the stay of the residents, parking lot, staging area, and wanting a follow up on the Bridge Shelter after a few months of it being open.

2. STORMWATER UPDATE ON REED AND HOLLISTER MITIGATION SITE (SAN DIEGO)

- City of San Diego staff member Christine Rothman gave a report on the Stormwater update on Reed and Hollister Mitigation sites. Highlights included their mission, compensation mitigation, Hollister Quarry mitigation site, project locations, existing locations, conceptual plan, and mitigation project phases for both projects.
- Feedback was provided by the CAC Members on the native plants, eucalyptus trees, tree

planting, biological monitoring on birds, riparian plants, cultural monitoring, and the removal of plants.

RANGER REPORT

1. Western OVRP, Ranger Mika Shimada

- Joint Staff member Laura Ball read an update provided by Ranger Mika Shimada on the following items: OVRP rangers received the City of San Diego Parks and Recreation Director's award for Group Maintenance; in March OVRP co-hosted a clean-up event with San Diego Coast Keepers at Hollister pond area; in April OVRP co-hosted a spring clean-up event with the Institute of Public Strategy at Saturn Blvd; SDPD Neighborhood Policing Division are responding to the "Get it Done" encampment report in the Southern Division; OVRP and Joint Staff members have been working with Urban Corps to plant trees and is scheduled to host tree planting activities on November 4th between Mace Street and Palm Avenue.
- Feedback was provided by the CAC Members on volunteer service, events being advertised and San Diego Audubon Society planting event.

2. Eastern OVRP, Ranger Lauren Raduc.

- County of San Diego Joint Staff member Lauren Raduc reported on the following items: Easter at the Park 4th Annual Breakfast with the Bunny was on April 1st with over 200 people in attendance; an I Love a Clean San Diego clean-up was on April 22nd and collected over 200 pounds of trash; in April OVRP participated with County Library in a program called Story Trails; in June with a Republic Services Grant Urban Corps will be cleaning trash under the 125; County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation is offering monthly hiking opportunities; Movies in the Park will begin on July 15th featuring School of Rock event.
- Feedback was provided by the CAC Members on the Boy Scouts of America update.

CAC CHAIR COMMENTS

- CAC Chair John Zarem inquired on the OVRP day that took place prior to COVID. Chair John Zarem reported on the following items: Republic Services donated \$250,000 to help clean up OVRP; the Trails Committee submitted a waiver request to SDG&E to use their

easement for recreational access. The waiver request was denied by SDG&E. John Zarem asked the CAC Members for their input on re-submitting the request to SDG&E.

VICE CHAIR COMMENTS

- Vice Chair Susie Murphy reported that she attended the Republic Services Grant presentation event and afterwards, met with representatives from State Senator Padilla's office, toured the Mace Street missing bridge, and discussed the potential boardwalk near LeMay Pond.

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Adjacent Development Review Subcommittee – None
2. Trails Subcommittee
 - CAC Vice Chair Susie Murphy reported that the trails subcommittee is working with Ranger Mika on a potential boardwalk near LeMay Pond.
3. COYIS – None
4. Economic/Habitat Restoration Subcommittee -None
 - CAC Chair John Zarem asked the County on the committee vacancies and a possible strategy to advertise. County Joint Staff member Juliette Orozco offered to provide the by-laws on the requirements to become a member. Vice Chair Susie Murphy asked if the County and City can share a link to the website.
 - CAC Member Christina Santa Maria shared with the CAC Members that San Diego Audubon is hosting Latino Conservation week in July.

ADJOURNMENT – 3:05PM

NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 17TH, 2023.

CAC MEMBER ATTENDEES

John Zarem	Rick Richardson	Lisa Cumper
Christina Santa Maria	Mark Kukuchek	
Susie Murphy	Joan Schneider	

STAFF PRESENT

Blanca Castillo	Lauren Raduc	Amy Hoffman
Juliette Orozco	Alyssa del Rosario	Laura Ball
	Harold Phelps	Angelica Davis

Anastasia Brewster
Christine Rothman

Nathaniel Rees
Emma Moan

PUBLIC MEMBER ATTENDEES

Angelica Davis