



GRANADA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Minutes PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

November 3, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular meeting of the Parks Advisory Committee was called to order at 7:04 pm.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members: Pat Tierney (Chair), Richard Barker (Vice Chair), Susannah Cantrell, Michelle Dragony, and Fran Pollard. Member Lyle Coffield was absent.

District Board Member: Nancy Marsh.

District Staff: Delia Comito.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Director Marsh stated that the Board approved a resolution to continue remote meetings for the time being.

ACTION AGENDA

1. Approval of April 26, 2021 PAC Meeting Minutes.

ACTION: Chair Tierney moved to approve the 4/26/21 meeting minutes as amended. (Tierney/Barker). Approved 5-0.

2. Discussion of Coastside Community Pool by Friends of Half Moon Bay Parks and Recreation.

Chair Tierney introduced Maria Burns, representing Friends of Half Moon Bay Parks and Recreation. Ms. Burns explained that the non-profit organization's mission is to plan, design and find funding for a swimming pool facility somewhere on the Coastside. She answered questions from the Committee, and encouraged community members to submit ideas and provide feedback.

3. Update on Status of Quarry Park Pump Track.

Member Barker provided the County's current timeline, indicating that the contract is expected to be awarded in January 2022, with construction beginning in July. A delay was caused due to the fire prevention tree cutting work.

Chair Tierney rearranged the Agenda to discuss Item 7 next for public members who were attending for that Item.

7. Discussion of Proposal for Disc Golf Course.

Chair Tierney explained that disc golf has been a long-time requested recreation on the Coastside, having been identified as a priority by PAC in 2018 and being in the top five most desired activities in the Quarry Park Master planning process.

Residents Jake Ward, Paul Kennedy, Martin Smith and Jim Kelly, all avid disc golfers, participated in the discussion and spoke in favor of having a disc golf course in the district, as it provides multi-gender and multi-generational recreation. They said the sport is rapidly growing in popularity, noting that both HMB High and Cunha Jr High have disc golf classes, and that there are both women and men's professional leagues, but there are no free public courses in San Mateo County. Residents must travel to San Francisco or Santa Cruz for public courses, or to the private course in Emerald Hills which charges \$15 per player. Several speakers stated that Mirada Surf East would be their preferred location. Director Marsh suggested looking into the school district owned land near Sonora Avenue, but some suggested it might be too small. An 18-hole course needs about 19 acres, or less if baskets are doubled up, and each basket costs about \$150. A new complete course would cost about \$75,000 and not require cutting of trees. They said it is safe, as golfers do not toss when people are in the area. Member Pollard wondered if it would be compatible with a dog park and urged them to consider locating it in Mirada Surf East. A few residents have portable baskets, but this limits how many people can be introduced to the activity or play. The Committee held a discussion, with all members generally supporting the project.

ACTION: Chair Tierney moved for a written PAC recommendation to the Board to advocate for a permanent, community disc golf course within the District, with consideration for funding its construction. (Tierney/Barker).
Approved 4-0-1 (Pollard abstained).

4. Update on Status and Next Steps on Burnham Park and Community Center Planning.

Director Marsh announced that the District purchased the Picasso Preschool property in the Burnham Strip to use as a future community center. The board will start identifying preliminary work needed. A civil engineer has been hired to work with K&K to continue the work needed to submit the permit applications to the County. It's hopeful that construction will begin by 2023. PAC could potentially become involved in about 6-9 months by holding a community workshop to identify what amenities residents want to see at the park.

5. Review of 2021 GCSD Summer/Fall Recreation Programs

The PAC was instrumental in developing and promoting a small summer/fall recreation program for the District. Successful events included two family movie nights, two guided walking tours and four beach clean-ups. Attempts were made to have a CPR class and a small music festival. PAC members and Director Marsh designed an informational brochure and postcard in English and Spanish, and updated the District's Parks and Recreation webpage to promote the events.

6. Planning for Disabled Youth Bike Ride.

Chair Tierney attempted to organize a disabled youth bike ride this fall, but was unable to do so. There was support from the committee to plan one in spring 2022.

8. Draft 2022 PAC Work Tasks and Plan.

Chair Tierney reviewed the draft 2022 PAC work plan provided in the packet, which listed nine tasks, all discussed and supported by the Committee. There was additional support for planning a 2022 a running or bike race that would begin in Burnham Park. PAC members suggested an on-call staff person was needed to

implement the plan, and agreed that next year's recreation program would be their main roll until the District hired someone to fill the parks position.

ACTION: Member Barker moved to approve and submit the 2022 PAC work plan as presented to the Board for approval. (Barker/Dragony). Approved 5-0.

9. Next PAC meeting

The next PAC meeting is scheduled on Monday, January 31, 2022 at 7:00 pm. The remaining meetings for the year will be scheduled after the new member or members are appointed.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Committee Approval Date: January 31, 2022

CONFIRMED BY:

Delia Comito, District Liaison

Pat Tierney, PAC Chair