



## GRANADA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

# Minutes PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

November 11, 2020

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular meeting of the Parks Advisory Committee was called to order at 7:00 pm.

### **ROLL CALL**

Committee Members: Nancy Marsh, (Chair), Pat Tierney (Vice Chair), Susannah Cantrell, (absent), Michelle Dragony, Paul Koelsch (absent), Ric Barker, and Fran Pollard.

Staff: Claudia Marshall, GCSD Recreation Coordinator

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Marsh noted that as no members of the public wished to make comments, the Public Comment period was closed.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **1. Approve 9/14/20 Meeting Minutes.**

**ACTION:** Vice Chair Tierney moved to approve the 9/14/20 meeting minutes.

One change was noted that The Mirada Surf West Park was incorrectly called Mirada Surf West Park.

(Tierney/Dragony), Approved 5-0.

#### **2. Julia Malmo-Laycock presented an overview of the SMC Active Transportation Draft Plan for bike and walk trails in unincorporated San Mateo County.**

Julia reviewed the planning process and current recommendations for EL Granada and Princeton. PAC member Dragony suggested that an additional crosswalk is needed at the intersection of Prospect and Broadway in Princeton. Chair Marsh noted that the BP Preliminary plan calls for three stop signs and crosswalks at the intersection of Avenue Alhambra and Obispo, beyond the SMC ATP recommendations. Vice- chair Tierney suggested that bike traffic North on Hwy 1 towards Devil's Slide is currently very dangerous and that he hoped that the County would make it a viable bike path in the future as outlined in its proposal. Tierney also suggested making the culvert under Highway 1 at Medio Creek an official crossing with ADA access for East Mirada residents. Also, the general Mirada West neighborhood would prefer that the closed Medio Creek Bridge (part of the Coastal Trail) be replaced in its current location. Member Pollard noted that the Obispo Avenue intersection at Avenue Alhambra is currently very dangerous and may also merit a crosswalk.

When asked what the short-term implementation timeframe might be, Julia Malmo-Laycock responded that the County's term, *short term*, indicated five to ten years for potential implementation.

**3 PAC Input to Board on QP Pump Track Project.**

PAC members noted that the parking lot capacity at Quarry Park is often exceeded currently, and although the impact on parking of the addition of a pump track is unknown, it may exacerbate an existing parking shortage. Chair Marsh suggested consideration of adding bike racks as parents might ride their bikes to QP to watch their children or grandchildren enjoy riding the pump track. Member Barker noted that SMC is funding the permitting, design and infrastructure improvements for the pump track; SMC Parks proposes that GCSD fund only the build of the pump track features.

SMC Parks Director, Nicholas Calderon attended the meeting and responded that the department is committed to addressing the parking concerns of the surrounding neighbors. Calderon also added that the timeframe for beginning construction of the pump track is in May 2021 when the County's moratorium on excavation has passed.

**ACTION:**

Chair Marsh made the following motion: **Parks Advisory Committee recommends to the GCSD Board to proceed with a funding proposal for the Quarry Park Pump Track, and recommends a request that SMC Parks considers review and improvement to Quarry Park parking capacity sooner rather than later, though not as a condition of GCSD Pump Track funding. (Marsh/Dragon, Approved 4 - 0, 1 abstain (Pollard)).**

**4. Set Date for 2021 Meetings.**

Chair Marsh suggested that she query PAC members individually to understand their views on how the Board can best use PAC going forward in 2021. Regarding 2021 meeting dates, Marsh suggested that PAC should schedule four quarterly meetings as per the PAC charter, one each in February, May, August and November. Vice Chair Tierney will poll members for the best dates. Chair Marsh will leave PAC in December; Vice-Chair Tierney will chair PAC meetings until the next officer elections.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

SUBMITTED BY,

APPROVED BY,

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Claudia Marshall

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Nancy Marsh, Chair

Date Approved by the Committee: \_\_\_\_\_