

**City of San Diego
Torrey Pines City Park Advisory Board
August 20, 2009**

MINUTES

Meeting Held at:

Forum Hall – 2nd Fl. Wells Fargo
4545 La Jolla Village Drive
San Diego, CA 92122

Mailing Address is:

City of San Diego
202 C Street, MS 5A
San Diego, CA 92101

Members Present

Ginny Barnes, Chair
Douglas Williamson, University Community Planning Group
Brian Thompson, Torrey Pines Association
Edward Slater, Associated Glider Clubs of Southern California
David Metzgar, Paragliding/San Diego Hang Gliding & Paragliding Association
Mary Coakley, Park & Recreation Board's Community Parks 1 Area
Ronald Brown, Torrey Pines Gulls-Radio-Controlled Soaring Society
Ken Baier, Hang Gliding/Torrey Hawks Hang Gliding Club
Michael Stepner, Park & Recreation Board Member

Members Absent

Chris Schmidt, Sierra Club, San Diego Chapter
Ken King, Council District 1 Representative

City of San Diego Staff

Michelle Abella-Shon, Project Manager

Other Agencies

Milton Phegley, Director, Community Planning, University of California, San Diego (UCSD)

Consultant

Kathleen Garcia, Wallace Roberts & Todd
Laura Burnett, Wallace Roberts & Todd
Kristen Byrne, MJE Marketing Services Inc.

CALL TO ORDER - Chair, Ginny Barnes, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Douglas Williamson and seconded by Edward Slater with abstentions from Michael Stepner to approve the July 16, 2009 meeting minutes with corrections. The vote, of those present at the July meeting, was unanimous.

COMMUNICATION

- a. Bob Kuczewski stated that it is important to examine the management component of flying at Torrey Pines City Park. He passed along the request for the 'hill' located on UCSD property be available for hang-glider training. Bob offered to share his recent photographs of the Fort Funston in Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES

None

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The city's web site is being actively updated to publicize the agenda, information and links.
<http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/programs/parkplanning/tpcitypark.shtml>

CITY STAFF REPORT

None

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

None

OTHER AGENCY'S REPORT

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

101. Wallace Roberts, & Todd, Inc. as Design Consultants

1. The progress of the Stakeholder Interviews was reported. It was suggested that nearby homeowners associations be included.
2. The Site Opportunities and Constraints were presented.

ACTION ITEMS:

201. Park Program and Evaluation Criteria

1. The Park Program and Evaluation was presented and discussed in the workshop segment of the meeting. The board will provide further recommendations and action in the October meeting.

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

301. Potential Park Facilities

1. The board members and the public divided into three groups to add to the list of potential park facilities that should be evaluated in the preparation of alternative park plans.
2. Additional comments - consider:
 - a. "Seasons of Activities" – to minimize conflict between users – following the example of the spring season for the fixed-wing gliders using the runway and eliminating vehicular access to the north area.
 - b. City policy on alcohol in parks varies;
 - c. Parking for large recreational vehicles;
 - d. Who the park is for – how can the improvements accommodate more people;
 - e. The plan needs to address development, operational and management;
 - f. Beach access to meet ADA criteria – at what point might there be a 'finding of overriding consideration';
 - g. Standards for parking within this unique location;
 - h. Vision for implementation – encourage city council to fund
 - i. Residential community may learn of the project and participate from articles and information in the La Jolla Light mailed to homes in the 92037 zip code;
 - j. Post a sign at the entrance to the park to inform visitors of the project and opportunities to participate
 - k. The site is a tourist destination;

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting: **October 15, 2009**
Forum Hall (Westfield UTC) – 2nd Fl. Wells Fargo

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Abella-Shon, Project Manager