

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2008**  
**MISSION TRAILS REGIONAL PARK CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

TIME AND PLACE

The meeting of the Mission Trails Regional Park Citizens' Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2008, 6:30 P.M. at the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor and Interpretive Center, One Father Junipero Serra Trail, San Diego, California.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Dorothy Leonard, Chair, Member-at-large  
Dick Murphy, Vice Chair, Special Member  
Walter Odening, PhD, Member-at-large  
John F. Pilch, San Carlos Area Council  
Richard Gadler, City of El Cajon  
Roger Utt, County of San Diego  
Nancy Acevedo, Member-at-large  
Dale Peterson, Navajo Community Planners  
Gene Hatton, City of Santee  
Betty Ogilvie, Tierrasanta Community Council Alternate  
David Boyer, MCAS Miramar  
Donovan Geiger, Tierrasanta Community Council  
Norman Greene, City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board  
Judy McCarty, Special Member  
Pete Cuthbert, City of La Mesa

Members Absent

Matt Rahn, SDSU  
Mike Pent, Special Member, excused

City of San Diego

Chirs Zirkle, Open Space Deputy Director, Steve Haupt Open Space District Manager, Tracey Walker Senior Park Ranger Mission Trails Open Space Division  
Ed Fordan, Iraj Asyhavzudeh, City of San Diego E&CP  
Michelle Garcia Quilico, City of San Diego  
Marisa Luque, Councilmember Madaffer's Office

Guests

Mojgan Poursadighi, Martin Coghill, Gary Eaton, San Diego County Water Authority  
Tom Donnelly, ACSO  
Naveen Waney, Platt / Whitelaw Architects

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dorothy Leonard at 6:30 P.M.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (PILCH/ ACEVEDO) to approve the minutes of the July 1st, 2008 meeting with two corrections: changing Walter Odening from Tierrasanta Community Council representative to Member-at-large, and correcting “rails” to “trails” on page 5, item 303, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, line two. The motion passed with David Boyer abstaining.

### CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Chair Dorothy Leonard reported:

- MCAS Miramar member David Boyer will not participate in voting for or against any motions that come before the MTRP CAC. David’s purpose here is specifically to share information between MCAS Miramar and the MTRP CAC. David will be sharing his valuable expertise in both cultural and natural resources of the area.
- During the Task Force Meeting of September 17:
  1. The agreement between the CAC and Task Force with the Park Planning Department (MOU) can’t go before the City Council for approval because City Council can’t approve an agreement with its self. Another instrument under study at this time will be utilized by the City Council to memorialize the agreement.
  2. The Task Force approved the use of \$472,000 from the Antenna Fund for the Master Development Plan.
  3. The Task Force passed a motion to approve in concept the Master Development Plan and it is being forwarded to Community Development and Park Planning for the next phase of the plan adoption.
  4. New CAC member Donovan Geiger representing the Tierrasanta Community Council was introduced.
  5. Regarding the Stowe Trail acreage: On May 5<sup>th</sup> 2008 the Navy informed the County of San Diego that the appraised value of the 284 acres of Stowe Trail land is \$26,000 an acre. This equals \$7,380,000 for the entire required acreage. The County does not have the money to pursue at this time.

### STAFF/RANGER REPORT

Senior Ranger Walker reported:

- The Kumeyaay Lake restoration grant is moving forward, with a new round of herbicide applications to begin in the next few weeks. A new application vendor is being sought at this time.
- The parking lot vehicle break-in frequency has dropped off again, however, last week there was one vehicle theft reported from our Visitor and Interpretive Center parking lot.
- Bids for the new signage at the Cowles Mt. Staging area have been received. Once a funding source is found construction will begin.

### WATER DEPARTMENT’S LAKE MURRAY REPORT

No representative to give a report.

ACTION ITEMS

201. Alvarado Water Treatment Plant Expansion and Upgrade Phase IV – Ozone Project – North Wall architectural alternative. Several external modifications to the Alvarado Water Treatment Plant building were offered. Changes to the outside façade included some color changes, a canopy element along with several recessed wall treatments. The intent is to keep the changes very simple to keep within the \$100,000 budget. The committee members include: Roger Utt, Dick Gadler and Dorothy Leonard.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (HATTON / UTT) to recommend to the Task Force approval of the proposed options. The motion passed with David Boyer abstaining.

202. MTRP FY 2009 / 2010 Project Funding Priorities and 20 Year Needs List. Chair Dorothy Leonard described the current 20 Year Needs List for the members.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (PILCH / UTT) to accept the list as presented at this meeting and recommend Task Force approval. The motion passed with David Boyer abstaining.

203. MTRP CAC 2009 Meeting Schedule. MTRP CAC Meetings will continue to be held on the first Tuesday of odd numbered months. The actual dates were sent to members via the Internet.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (CUTHBERT / HATTON) to approve the 2009 CAC Meeting Schedule. The motion passed with David Boyer abstaining.

204. MTRP Shade Structures for Fortuna Mountain and West Sycamore areas. Chair Dorothy Leonard reviewed the history of the Good Neighbor Policy between the MTRP CAC and the San Diego County Water Authority. From that agreement, the SDCWA agreed to supply two picnic tables and a shade structure. It is intended that this agreement will be written into the contract with the SDCWA project contractor.

Senior Ranger Walker described a recent field trip with SDCWA, MTRP CAC representatives Leonard and Murphy, and City staff to review possible shade structure / bench locations. SDCWA Project Manager Mojgan Ponrsadighi noted that the shade structure / bench concept forwarded to her office was somewhat more expensive than the SDCWA had envisioned. Further, due to the change in proposed location, she would have to take back to the Water Authority to get their approval on the changed proposal. Mojgan also noted that the Clairemont Mesa structure and bench location would have to be treated as a separate item. It was noted by CAC Vice Chair Dick Murphy that whatever was approved by this action would set the shade structure format for the next 10 years.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded (MURPHY / ODENING) to relocate the table and shade structure from the Flow Regulatory Structure 1 to the vicinity of the Elliott Vent #5 (twin towers). The size of the structure will be appropriate for the use of one table and pad and will be similar to the photo passed out at this meeting. The motion passed with David Boyer abstaining.

INFORMATION ITEMS

## 301. San Diego County Water Authority Projects.

Beginning the week of November 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a ramp up in construction activities around the project sites. This will included the installation of construction infrastructure around the Clairemont Mesa entrance site. A brief update on the Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup> Pipeline 4 emergency shut down and pipeline repair was offered. The October 5<sup>th</sup> break was approximately 40' from the last repair. It is felt that this break was not related to the last break. It was noted by ranger staff that there was a lot of debris washed into the riparian area the created several serious blockages during heavy rains. SDCWA staff was very helpful in removing the debris and clearing the western Arizona Crossing as well. Recon will be providing a full incident area impact monitoring sometime in December 08.

## 302. CIP Project Updates

Old Mission Dam Maintenance Project Funding. Open Space District Manager Steve Haupt reported that funding has not been identified. The ongoing search for funding sources continues.

## 303. Mission Trails Regional Park Resource Management Plan. Open Space Deputy Director Chris Zirkle reported that the base line (existing conditions) report has been completed. A spring survey will be necessary and the process is underway to hire a consultant to complete the survey. After that point, the Natural Resource Management Plan process will be rolled into the Master Plan update.

For the education of the CAC membership, the Deputy Director explained the function of a Resource Management Plan.

## 304. Open Space Park Use Permits. Open Space special event permit process requirements were described. An internal process was completed where all situations were broken down into two categories. One set of activities requiring Right of Entry Permits the other less complex Park Use Permits. A list was presented giving a variety of events that would fall into each category. It was noted that for the more involved Right of Entry Permit that covers more complex events, the CAC should be involved for approving the proposed event.

## 306. Status of the process to officially name the street at the Equestrian Staging Area “Equestrian Circle”. Marisa Luque reported that she has not heard back from the City Attorney’s office yet.

## 308. MTRP Foundation Report. Chair Dorothy Leonard announced that Leslie Perkins has been hired as the Mission Trails Foundation Executive Director. She will start in January of 2009.

Arbor Day will be held on Saturday Dec 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Oak Grove Picnic Area. Now that water is located on the eastern side of the road, maintenance will be much easier.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Senior Park Ranger  
Tracey Walker  
Staff Representative