

MINUTES

MEETING OF: BEACH PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
DATE OF MEETING: May 10, 2016
TIME OF MEETING: 4:00 p.m.
PLACE OF MEETING: Parks and Recreation Administration
799 Pine Avenue, Suite 200

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:04 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present Members: Linda Petrucci, Norelynn Pion-Goureau, Fred Briggs, Darryl Hatheway, Amy Ahrendt, and Bret Barger
Absent Members: Shelly Sander
Guests: Alejandro Gonzalez, Osbaldo Martinez, Seila Katsuyama and Phil Diehl
Staff: Liz, Ketabian, Kasia Trojanowska, Pam Drew, Kyle Lancaster, and Adriana Alvarez

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes for the Meeting of March 8, 2016 (Hatheway/Pion-Goureau) were approved.

1. VILLAGE, BARRIO & BEACH PARKING STUDY

Pam Drew, Associate Planner gave an update and presented a slide show on the Village, Barrio, and Beach parking study. The contractor for the parking study has been selected and data collection and analysis will be conducted from April 2016 through May 2017. The goal is to identify parking management strategies that: Improve parking and mobility options for community members and visitors, maximize the efficiency of existing parking resources, and identify solutions that will support future parking needs. Community engagement will be available through surveys and public outreach meetings. Pam Drew directed those in the meeting to visit the city's website or contact her at 760-602-4644 or pam.drew@carlsbadca.gov.

2. STATE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION REPORT

Lisa Urbach, State of California Department of Parks & Recreation Interim Superintendent, for the San Diego North Coast Sector, provided a summary of state beach related activities:

- The State DPR's Tamarack Ave. parking lot was closed in late April/Early May for maintenance. Sand and large boulders along the western edge of the lot were recently repositioned, as part of the state's maintenance activities. The parking lot is also soon to be slurry coated and restriped.
- The State DPR's San Diego North Coast Sector office on Carlsbad Blvd. and Beech St. is in the middle of a much needed renovation. The renovation will take approximately one year to complete because the building is considered to be a historical site and a historical structure assessment needs to be conducted prior to restoration plans being prepared.
- State DPR is awaiting a Geologist's final report on the sea cave that has opened beneath the state-owned bluff south of Cerezo Dr. Public safety is a priority and currently the area is cordoned-off for safety precautions.
- The State DPR is reviewing the beach fire regulations. Currently there are no concrete fire rings provided on the state's beaches, and only portable, above ground fire containers are allowed on those sites. In spite of existing hot coal receptacles and regulatory signs being present, many patrons do not properly dispose of the coals from beach fires. Each year, there are several cases of serious burns from smoldering firewood or hot charcoal briquettes being left behind in the sand. Lifeguards monitor the beach and perform clean-ups every morning, but hot wood and coals are hard to spot if buried under the layer of sand.

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- The city's landscape contractor is currently working on a native plant replenishment along the Tamarack/Frazer State Beach coastal bluffs. Some of the original plantings completed in January 2015 are being replenished as part of the Tamarack Beach Bluff Restoration. The few sparse areas in the bluffs are from a combination of factors, including an expected mortality rate on new plantings, limited irrigation as linked to adherence of water conservation requirements, harsh coastal environment conditions, and rodents inhabiting the bluffs/feeding on the new plants.
- The State DPR and the city staff are proposing the authorization of another Right of Entry Permit for the Tamarack State Beach upper picnic facilities and the Tamarack/Frazer State Beach coastal bluffs. The state permit would allow the city to continue to improve and maintain these state-owned properties for another year. The state and the city first authorized such a permit in May 2014. Another permit was then authorized by the state and the city in May 2015, and a new permit will be considered by the City Council at its regular meeting on May 17, 2016.

3. COMMITTEE MEMBERS DISCUSSION: None

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

By proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm. The next meeting of the Beach Preservation Committee will be Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the City of Carlsbad Parks & Recreation Administration Building, 799 Pine Avenue, Suite 200, Carlsbad, 92008.

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