

**Los Osos Community Services District
DRAFT Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting
July 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Office**

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
<p>1. Call to Order, Flag Salute, and Roll Call</p>	<p>Chairperson Fourcroy called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and led the flag salute.</p> <p><u>Roll Call:</u> Alissa Feldman, Committee Member – Absent William Fitzgerald, Committee Member - Present Jennifer Foronjy, Committee Member – Absent Andrea Lueker, Committee Member – Arrived at 5:34 p.m. Shaunna Sullivan, Committee Member – Arrived at 5:36 p.m. Christine Womack, Vice Chairperson – Absent Matthew Fourcroy, Chairperson – Present</p> <p><u>Staff:</u> Renee Osborne, General Manager Ann Kudart, Administrative Services Manager Laura Durban, Administrative Services Manager</p>	
<p>2. Approve Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2019</p>	<p>Administrative Services Manager Kudart presented the draft minutes to the Committee for approval.</p> <p>Public Comment – None</p> <p>Committee Member Fitzgerald moved to approve the meeting minutes of May 21, 2019 and the motion was seconded by Committee Member Leuker and was carried by unanimous consent.</p>	<p>Action: File minutes.</p>
<p>3. Working Group Updates</p> <p>a. Dog Park</p>	<p>Chairperson Fourcroy provided aerial view maps of the lots for the potential Dog Park and Pocket Park areas with potential bullet lists for what would be needed to get the projects going to the Committee and were made available to the public; he requested the members provide what they would like the parks to look at and what they would like to have available at the parks.</p> <p>Committee Member Fitzgerald reported that he reached out to Capital Project Supervisor George Thompson who was responsible for the budget for the Santa Barbara Dog Park; received a copy of the final budget and feasibility study for the Santa Barbara Dog Park; shared highlights of the report and would email the report to Administrative Services Manager Kudart to distribute to anyone interested in the reports.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne discussed what would be needed for the Dog Park with the finances that we already have and then continue adding as we get more financing; discussed protocol on what would need to be done to build with the County; and, commented on having a non-profit take over operations of the park once completed.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy commented about the importance of having a written plan for operations for the District and/or a non-profit when the Dog Park is ready.</p> <p>Committee Member Sullivan inquired as to the availability of water for dogs.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne reported that no water is available at this time and that the District would have to tap into a County water line if we decided to go that route.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy commented that he was unsure if we get the whole lot for the Dog Park and would want to find out how much it would cost to get a water line to the Dog Park.</p> <p>Committee Member Sullivan inquired about using parking at the church.</p>	

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<p>3. Working Group Updates</p> <p>a. Dog Park (continued)</p>	<p>General Manager Osborne responded that the church opposed the Dog Park and will not let their lot be used for parking; that there is a dirt area that parking would be made available on the lot; and, there would need to be an ADA compliant parking area.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy commented that he would discuss ADA access to the Dog Park with District Engineer Miller.</p> <p>Committee Member Sullivan inquired about adding a trail around the park and General Manager Osborne responded that there are grants available for trails.</p> <p>Public Comment – Linde Owen commented that the Community Plan shows tennis courts where our Dog Park is scheduled to be located; supported a non-profit in place to take care of the park; commented that the Library is doing a study to expand onto the same property; that she is meeting with the County Parks Department on Thursday, July 18th at 10:30am and invited members of the committee to attend a tour and walkthrough; and, encouraged field trips to other dog parks to get an idea of what will be needed.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne responded that we have a signed lease with the County; assured the public that it is District Dog Park land and that Nick Franco and Bruce Gibson assured Ms. Osborne they are making changes from tennis courts to a dog park.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy asked for a copy of the lease with a description of exactly what is included.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne said that it was in the Board packet from over a year ago; she would provide Chairperson Fourcroy and Ms. Owen and anyone else interested in a copy of the lease.</p> <p>Public Comment – Christina Grimm supported having a path around the future Dog Park; commented that grass would look nice but is hard to clean up after a dog and recommended a gravel dog park which is easier to maintain; suggested having ranch style water as a way to have water for the dogs; recommended that a way to generate income would be to split the park into three sections and make the third section available to rent out to people that train dogs off leash; and, inquired about looking into companies that are devoted to spraying, sanitizing and cleaning gravel.</p> <p>Committee Member Fitzgerald suggested having time for different sizes of dogs and specific times for when it can be rented out.</p> <p>Committee Member Sullivan was out of town and was unable to attend LOCAC's Tree and Landscape Committee meeting.</p>	
<p>b. LOCAC Tree and Landscape Committee Update</p> <p>c. Pocket Parks</p>	<p>Public Comment – Linde Owen commented on getting more trees in different areas and what the cost would be; can pay to plant a memorial tree but not have a plaque on the tree.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy reported that Committee Member Feldman wants to sketch out a vision of what the Pocket Parks should look like.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne reported that there is a trail going through the property and that there are grants available that could help with a trail through the Pocket Park; and, that the snail studies that will have to occur before we can proceed further.</p>	

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<p>3. Working Group Updates c. Pocket Parks (continued)</p>	<p>Public Comment – Linde Owen requested verification of when the snail study would be done; requested bring the trail to the Traffic and Circulation Committee and have a plan to connect it to the Community Center; and, inquired if the neighbors to the Pocket Park have been informed of the park.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy responded that the property is owned by the District and that he wants to bring the plan before the neighbors.</p> <p>Public Comment - Christina Grimm commented on approaching the design from a thematic perspective based on what type of people the park is for.</p> <p>Linde Owen inquired if the rest of the parcel would be available in the future.</p> <p>Chairperson Fourcroy responded that he liked the thematic idea with other properties owned by the District.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne reported that she would want the snail study contract signed soon so they are ready the next time it rains and that the other portion of the parcel is currently being used by our water crew.</p>	
<p>4. Public Comments on Items NOT on this Agenda</p>	<p>Linde Owen inquired about making the studies available again that discuss what is important to the community and that dog parks are a top priority; that there should be a group to manage and brainstorm as a community to make the Dog Park successful; and, supported working with the County to get water to the Dog Park.</p> <p>General Manager Osborne informed the Committee that this was her last Parks and Recreation Meeting and that Ron Munds will be stepping in to the General Manager position.</p> <p>Committee Member Sullivan commented that she worked on the studies and let Ms. Owen know that Dog Parks were one of the top items community members wanted.</p>	
<p>8. Schedule Next Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting</p>	<p>The next Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled to be held on September 17, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. unless otherwise noticed.</p>	
<p>9. Closing Comments by Parks and Recreation Committee Members</p>	<p>Committee Member Lueker thanked General Manager Osborne for the progress she has helped create with Parks and Recreation.</p> <p>Administrative Services Manager Kudart introduced Laura Durban as the new Administrative Services Manager for LOCSD.</p> <p>Committee Member Fitzgerald thanked Administrative Services Manager Kudart for all of her work.</p>	
<p>10. Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.</p>	