

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Trails Advisory Committee

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 6:00 pm

3 Civic Center Drive San Marcos, CA 92069 – Meeting held via GoToMeeting.com

CALL TO ORDER: Parks & Recreation - Recreation Coordinator, Taylor Oshinski, called the meeting to order at 6:01PM.

ROLL CALL:

Adam Watkins (Chair), Carrie Alidaee, Rich Amiton, David Simpson & John Walsh

Parks & Recreation Commissioners - Jay Franklin & Travis Lindsay

Guests: Carolyn Reed

Not Present: Torrey Olson (Vice Chair)

OLD BUSINESS

1. TAC participation dropped off considerably in 2019 so meetings will be held quarterly. By holding the meetings quarterly, we hope to increase participation and attendance. Taylor notified the TAC members that an email will be sent prior to each meeting. He requested to receive feedback if you are unable to attend the meeting. All meetings for 2020 have already been scheduled and are available on the first page of the agendas.
2. The Trails Master Plan is currently under the final revision. The Trails Master Plan should hopefully be completed by the end of summer 2020.
3. Taylor reminded the TAC that the April TAC meeting was cancelled due to COVID.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Carolyn Reed was present on the call as a guest but was unable to communicate on the GoToMeeting app. The City has still not received her TAC Application to be approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission. She will remain a guest until an application is received.
2. Taylor spoke about the future bike park slated for Bradley Park in the empty eight acre field behind the multipurpose fields. Jay requested that the TAC members receive updated plans for the park after the City has them confirmed.
3. The TAC members spoke about the heavy trail usage since COVID began. All have experienced a major influx in the trails that they regularly use. Adam explained that he has witnessed an increase in vehicles parked in the neighborhood surrounding Lakeview Park. However, the majority have experienced friendly hikers that are respectful of nature, surrounding neighborhoods and other hikers.

4. Carrie questioned sections of lodge pole fencing around the Walnut Grove Park area. Taylor asked that she submit pictures and an exhibit of the fencing in question and he would provide it to Public Works for further inspection. Taylor explained that JPIA has been involved with lodge pole fencing around San Marcos and the City will abide by the recommendation of JPIA.
5. There was discussion of some erosion on the trails surrounding Double Peak Park. Taylor requested that TAC members provide him with an exhibit and pictures of any trails that present potentially dangerous hazards and he would follow up with the proper department.
6. The TAC discussed developing verbiage that helps identify the different variations of trails. This will not be covered in the recent Trails Master Plan update so this is a great topic for the TAC to work on moving forward.
7. John asked about the equestrian flyer at the Walnut Grove Park kiosk. Taylor notified him that an updated flyer has been posted.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Trails Advisory Committee

January 2020 TAC meeting minutes were approved. John Walsh motioned to approve and Adam Watkins seconded.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. No additional information was presented or requests made.

TAC MEMBER COMMENTARY

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 6:00pm

ADJOURNMENT

Taylor Oshinski adjourned the July 8, 2020 San Marcos Trails Advisory Committee meeting at 6:58 PM.

ATTEST:

TAYLOR OSHINSKI, RECORDING SECRETARY
CITY OF SAN MARCOS
TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE