

**CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

DATE: May 21, 2026

TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers

FROM: Greg Mediati, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Department Update

City Facility Roof Repairs

Members of the City Council and public may see minor repairs occurring at the Municipal Services Building. During the last winter storms, a persistent leak in the roof above the Capital Projects Division offices was discovered. Contractors are addressing these leaks and scheduled to be completed by early next week.

Additionally, roof maintenance and gutter and downspout replacement is being completed at the Roberta Cerri Teglia Center.



Senior Services Program



Champion Your Health participants

May is officially recognized as Older Americans Month, organized each year by the Administration for Community Living to celebrate the contributions of older adults and raise awareness about issues impacting aging communities. The 2026 theme, “Champion Your Health,” emphasizes the importance of prevention and wellness, healthy aging, personal responsibility, self-advocacy and staying active, connected and independent. The theme encourages older adults to take an active role in supporting their physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

Older Americans Month recognizes and celebrates the contributions that older adults make to the community every day. Older adults strengthen their neighborhoods through their experience, community service, mentorship, and engagement. As the senior population continues to grow, it is increasingly important to invest in programs and services that promote independence, social connection, and overall quality of life.

The theme “Champion Your Health” closely reflects the focus of the Roberta Cerri Teglia Senior Center, where staff is committed to supporting healthy and active aging through a wide variety of wellness, fitness, nutrition, and social engagement opportunities. The Senior Center encourages older adults to remain physically active, socially connected, and engaged in their community by offering programs such as Zumba, Tai Chi Chuan, Fine Arts, Line Dancing, Yoga, Mahjong, Ballroom Dancing, Ping Pong, and many other recreational and educational activities designed to support lifelong wellness.

In addition to fitness and recreation programs, the center promotes healthy aging through its free Congregate Meal Program offered every Tuesday and Thursday. These meals meet the nutrition guidelines established by San Mateo County Health and provide older adults with access to nutritious meals in a welcoming and social environment. Beyond nutrition, the program helps reduce isolation and meaningful social connections by bringing community members together to share a healthy meal and companionship.

Through these programs and services, the Senior Center continues to support older adults to “Champion Their Health” by maintaining active lifestyles, building social connections, and accessing resources that enhance their overall well-being and independence.

Parks and Recreation Internal and External Outreach Efforts

April proved to be a productive month for Parks and Recreation outreach efforts, with seven requests fulfilled both onsite at the Library | Parks and Recreation Center (LPR) and at offsite locations. Outreach activities occurred on the following dates:

Community Resource-Sharing at LPR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Staff</u>
April 12	El Camino Mobility Plan	LPR	City of SSF
April 18	SMC Youth Climate Ambassadors	LPR	SMC Sustainability Department

Parks and Recreation Outreach Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Staff</u>
April 14	Spring Career Fair	Skyline College	Youth Enrichment Services
April 15	Community Learning Exchange	Baden High School	Youth Enrichment Services & Preschool
April 23	Summer Resource Fair	Parkway Heights Middle School	Sports
April 24	Spring into Summer College & Career Fair	El Camino High School	Youth Enrichment Services & Aquatics
April 25	All Souls Bazaar	All Souls Catholic School	LPR Community Resources

Staff made meaningful connections with students, families, and community members, sharing resources and program updates at each event.



El Camino Mobility Plan at the LPR



Community Resource team at the All Souls

Childcare Update

Preschool Program



St. Jude Trike-a-Thon participants

This past April, the three preschools participated in the annual St. Jude Trike-a-Thon. Approximately 115 students brought their bikes, trikes, and scooters to school and rode laps to help raise funds for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Families were invited to attend and cheer on the children as they raced around the course with excitement and enthusiasm. Staff members worked hard to set up a fun and safe riding course for the children, making the event enjoyable for everyone involved.

Youth Enrichment Services (YES)

On April 29, the Police Youth Academy celebrated its graduation ceremony. In collaboration with Parks and Recreation, the Police Department hosted an eight-week academy designed to introduce fifth-grade students to the field of law enforcement. Throughout the program, students learned about a variety of topics, ranging from record keeping to SWAT operations. This year, 28 students successfully graduated from the academy. The program was created to provide young students with an engaging and educational introduction to careers in law enforcement.



Youth Police Academy participants had their graduation at the SSF Police Department.

Linden and Pine Art Component Update

The public art component for the New Park at Linden Avenue and Pine Avenue has continued to evolve through ongoing collaboration between City staff, and artist J Muzacz. Recent design refinements have resulted in the final conceptual direction titled *Woven Together*, which expands upon the original mosaic column proposal and further reflects the cultural diversity and interconnectedness of the South San Francisco community.

The updated design draws inspiration from weaving and textile traditions found across South San Francisco's Sister Cities, including Lucca, Italy; Pasig City, Philippines; Atotonilco El Alto, Mexico; Saint Jean Pied de Port, France; and Kishiwada, Japan. Through layered geometric patterns, interwoven bands of color, and textile-inspired motifs, the artwork is intended to symbolize how individual histories, traditions, and cultures collectively strengthen the fabric of the community.

The artist's revised concept also reflects the universal role textiles and blankets play within public gathering spaces around the world. The mosaic-wrapped columns are envisioned as visual representations of comfort, gathering, storytelling, and shared experience within a neighborhood park setting. Decorative elements incorporated into the design reference a range of global textile traditions, including Indigenous South and Central American weaving patterns and lace-inspired edging associated with Western European craft traditions.

A central component of the project remains community participation. Staff will continue coordinating next steps for project implementation, including scheduling details for the future community mosaic workshop day, and will provide additional updates to Council as the project progresses.

This final rendering will be presented to the Cultural Arts Commission for their approval next week.

Attachment 1 - The revised columns proposal by artist J Muzacz

Aquatics Program

Pool Heater Maintenance and Facility Reopening

Following the previously reported mechanical and utility challenges, additional troubleshooting was required to fully restore the pool heater. To ensure sufficient and consistent gas flow, the gas line connected to the heater was upsized. During this process, technicians discovered that a part was missing from a previous installation of the gas assembly, which had been causing inaccurate system readings. Additionally, the flame sensors were replaced again, despite being new, to guarantee reliable ignition and a steady, strong flame. Following these final repairs and adjustments, the heater successfully began operating on Monday, May 11.

Reopening Timeline and Current Status

To verify system stability, staff monitored the heater's performance for a full 24-hour period before initiating the reopening protocol. Once confident in the repair, the staff sent public notifications on Tuesday, May 12, announcing that the facility would resume normal operations.

The pool officially reopened to the public at 5:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 13. At the time of opening, the water temperature had reached 80°F. While this is slightly below the target 83°F set point, it is comfortable enough for regular programming to resume, and the temperature will continue to rise as the heater maintains steady operation.

Community & Operational Impact

Staff are incredibly excited to welcome swimmers back to the facility. Lap and recreational swimming are vital health and wellness routines for many community members, and staff appreciate the public's patience during this extended, complex maintenance closure.

Furthermore, staff are eager to resume normal operations, particularly regular staff training, upcoming lifeguard certification courses, and ongoing in-service training. Maintaining this consistent training schedule is crucial to the future of aquatics programming and is essential to meeting increased staffing demands as operations transition to the new Aquatics Center later in 2026. Additionally, staff are looking forward to the full summer programming schedule, which will include lap swim, summer camp swimming lessons, daily swimming lessons, daily recreational swimming, exercise classes, aquatics club practice, adult swimming lessons, and baby and parent swim times.

Classes Program

Karate Promotional

The Shinkyu Shotokan Karate Program held a Karate Promotional for more than 30 class participants on Sunday, May 3, at the Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center. The promotional was led by Recreation Instructors Patrick Dunleavy, Amanda Lee, Austin Lee, Isaul Beltran, and Juan Carlos Barajas. Participants ranged in age from seven to 45, reflecting the diversity of the program's participants. Over 100 guests over the course of the event attended to watch the promotional. Staff is looking forward to the next promotional in June, which will feature Pre-Shinkyu participants ages four through eight.

Summer 2026 Registration Metrics

The Summer 2026 class registration opened on Monday, May 4, with approximately 485 residents registering on the first day. Recreation program participants range in age from two to 88 years old. We are excited to welcome back seasonal favorites, including weeklong Tennis Camps with Anthony Dizon-Barron, Hip Hop Dance classes for kids, teens, and adults, and the Personal Perfume Workshop led by perfumer and aromatherapist Mauricio Garcia. We look forward to another active and successful summer season, with additional free classes being offered in celebration of Parks and Recreation Month in July.

Linden and Pine Park South San Francisco



Project Details

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WORKSHOP

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Concrete plaza mosaic inlay bands (3), four (4) column mosaic murals, and a mosaicked playground sculpture, that add unity, texture, cultural context, vibrant colors and playful interactivity to Linden & Pine Park.

Woven Together

This design evolved from the initial serape-inspired design selected by both the community and the arts commission to be more inclusive with a global perspective.

Recolored bands are intentionally woven together, to reference South San Francisco's Sister Cities — Lucca, Italy, Pasig City, Philippines, Atotonilco El Alto, Mexico, Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port, France, and Kishiwada, Japan, among others.

Additional universal motifs were added as a border: an angular color stripe similar to many in South and Central American indigenous textiles, and a subtle frilled edge referencing lace or crochet common in Western Europe.



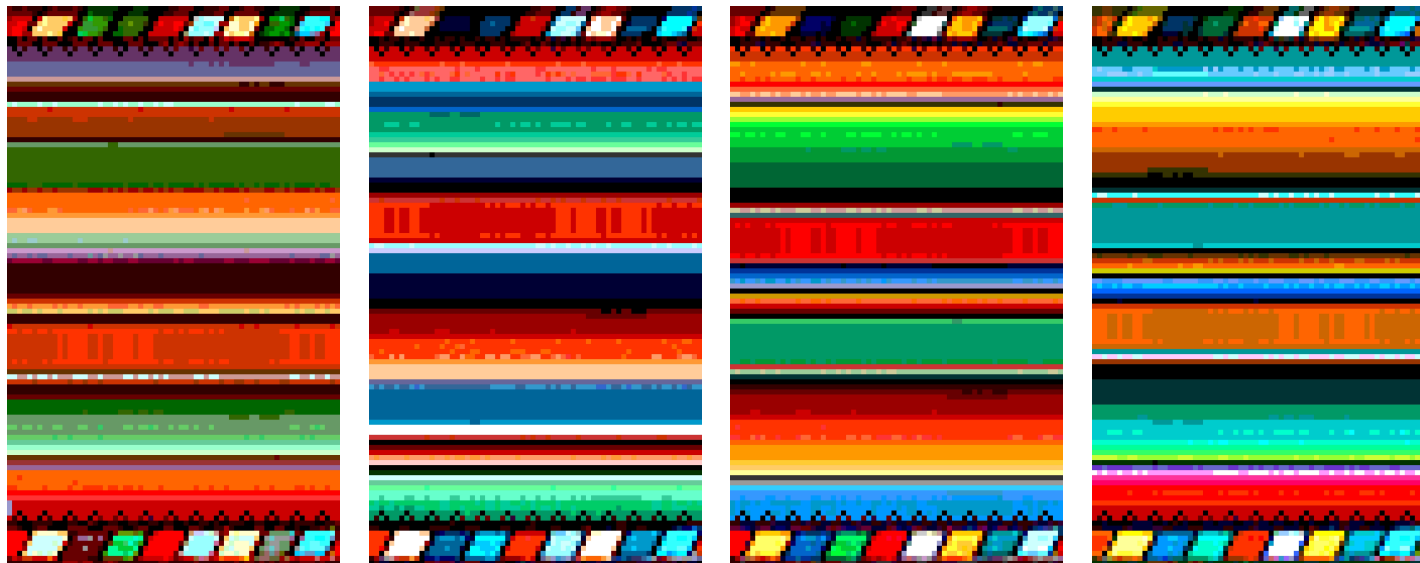
Courtyard mockup

Woven Together

The blanket is a ubiquitous accessory in park settings worldwide — underfoot at picnics, softening the ground and creating a protective gathering place to eat, play, relax, read, or rest.

This simple textile is transformational in setting down a space with care and intention, ripe for connection both with nature and our neighbors.

These mosaic columns wrapped in comforting colors are a celebration of so many diverse cultures in South San Francisco and speak to a unified community, honoring the past, building a timeless textile for the present and onward into the future.



Woven Together – Abstract Statement

The four mosaic columns at Linden and Pine are inspired by the woven textile traditions shared across South San Francisco's five Sister Cities, where patterns, colors, and interconnected forms have long symbolized community, storytelling, and cultural identity. Drawing from weaving traditions in Mexico, Japan, Italy, the Philippines, and France, the mosaics use layered geometric patterns and interlacing bands of color to represent the idea that individual histories, cultures, and generations become stronger through connection. Like woven fibers crossing to create a unified textile, the columns reflect the relationships that bind South San Francisco's diverse communities together.

Equally important to the concept is the way the artwork itself was created. Community members participated in the development of the mosaic patterns, working collectively in a process inspired by traditional weaving practices found across these cultures, where textiles were often created through shared labor, conversation, and gathering. Just as individual threads are woven together to form a larger composition, each participant contributed to the evolving surface of the columns, embedding personal presence and collective memory into the artwork itself. The columns are intended to serve as a backdrop for everyday life and shared celebration — family gatherings, music, public events, and future community traditions — while standing as a lasting reflection of connection, collaboration, and cultural exchange.

Sister Cities Color References



Lucca, Italy



Atotonilco El Alto, Mexico



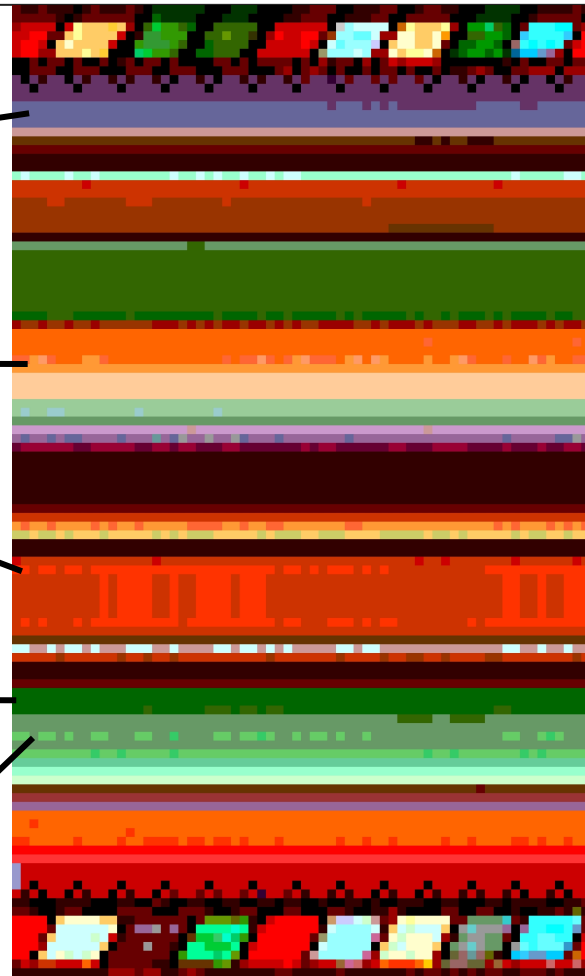
Kishiwada, Japan



Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port, France



Pasig City, Philippines



Sister Cities

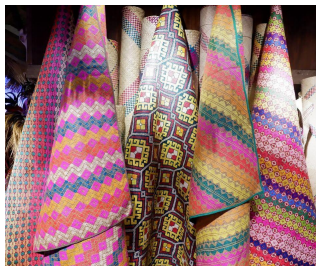
Textile References



Atotonilco El Alto,
Mexico



Saint-Jean-Pied-de-Port,
France



Pasig City, Philippines

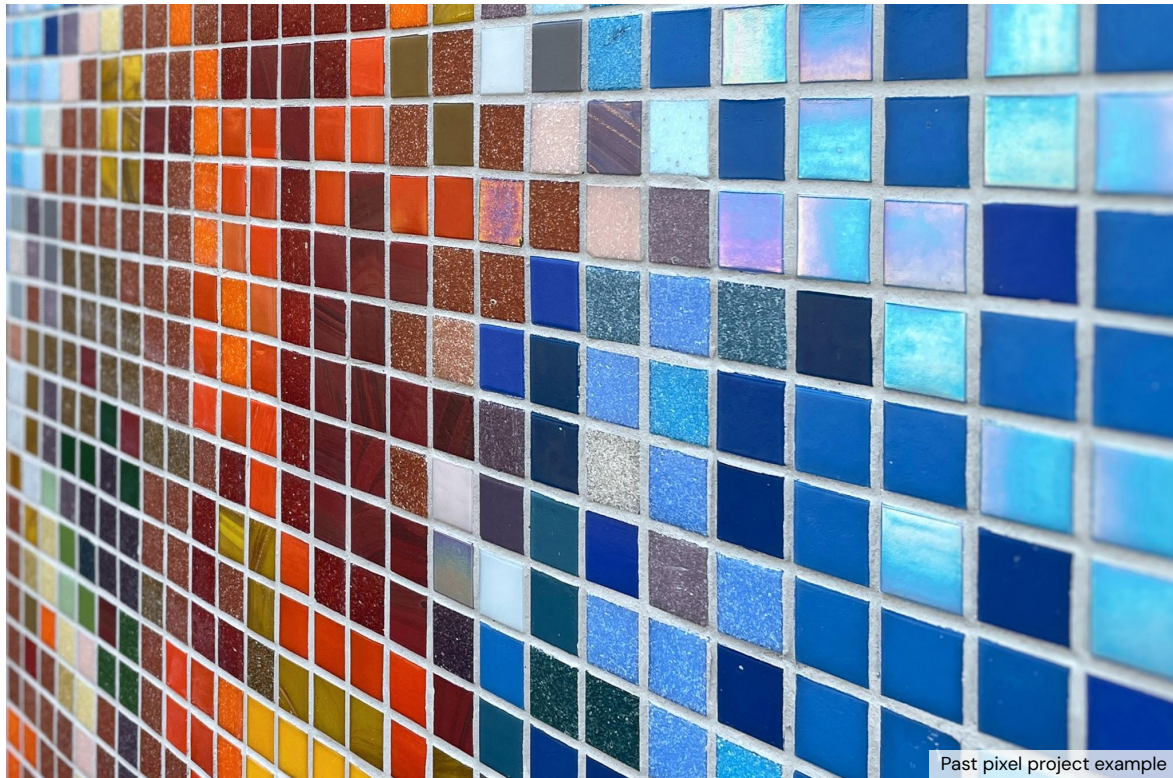


Lucca, Italy



Kishiwada, Japan

Material Texture



Relevant Recent Pixel Projects



Digital Design to Final Mosaic

Subtle tile texture, iridescence, and grout interstices work to soften the vibrant on-screen coloration for an architecturally-integrated final piece.

Additionally, community participation creates “glitches” where individuals interpret colors on their template with slight variation, which adds textural depth, making it a completely unique one-of-a-kind artwork.



Digital Design to Final Mosaic



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**CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

DATE: June 4, 2026

TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers

FROM: Greg Mediati, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Department Update

Senior Health Fair



Free blood pressure screening

On Friday, May 15 the Department' Senior Services Program partnered with Kaiser Permanente to host the 26th Annual Senior Health Fair. The event provided older adults in the community with access to a wide variety of valuable health screenings, education resources, and wellness information.

Kaiser Permanente offered numerous free services and resources, including blood pressure screenings, cholesterol and glucose screenings, eyeglass cleaning, glaucoma screenings, and hearing health information. Attendees also received education materials and support on topics such as stroke awareness, life care planning, health and nutrition education, burn prevention, allergy and skin care tips, physical therapy, mental health resources, and more.

In addition to Kaiser Permanente's generous sponsorship and support, the Health Fair featured participation from several community organizations and services providers, including HIP Housing, the San Mateo County Commission on Aging, Always Best Care, Institute on Aging, HICAP, MELP, and the South San Francisco Parks and Recreation Department. These organizations provided valuable information, resources, and services that support the health, independence, and well-being of older adults.

The Senior Health Fair was a tremendous success, drawing a large number of attendees and offering meaningful services and information to the community. Senior Services is grateful to Kaiser Permanente, participating vendors, staff, and volunteers for helping make the event



Kaiser Permanente staff at the Senior Health Fair

possible. Staff looks forward to continuing this important tradition and welcoming the community back for next year's Senior Health Fair.

Cultural Arts Program

"Free to be...Me" Art Show

The Cultural Arts Program will present its July 2026 art show titled, "Free to Be...Me." Artists are invited to showcase their creativity without limitations of a specific theme.

Two-dimensional and three-dimensional works are featured for the juried visual art exhibit. The online art entry deadline is Sunday, June 28. Drop in entries will be accepted on Tuesday, July 7 during the hand-delivery times of 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Restrictions for drop-in entries will apply. The complete entry guidelines and online entry form are available on the "[Current Opportunities for Artists](http://www.ssfca.gov/CulturalArts)" webpage at www.ssfca.gov/CulturalArts.

The show's opening weekend is Friday, July 10, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 11, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The exhibit will be held at the Library | Parks and Recreation Center (LPR) Gallery Room. Admission is free.

Following the opening weekend, the gallery exhibit will continue Monday through Friday, beginning July 13 through July 31. The hours are from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Special evening viewing hours will be offered on Tuesday, July 28, when the gallery will remain open until 8:00 p.m.



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Los artistas tienen la libertad de mostrar su infinita creatividad, sin estar limitados por un tema.

**Último día para enviar arte digital
28 de junio del 2026**

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viernes 10 de julio | 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
sábado 11 de julio | 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

FECHAS ADICIONALES DE LA GALERÍA

lunes a viernes | 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
julio 13-31

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martes 28 de julio | 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

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901 Civic Campus Way, South San Francisco
Galería del 3er piso #321



PARA INFORMACIÓN

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City of South San Francisco
CULTURAL ARTS PROGRAM
CALL FOR ENTRIES



FREE TO BE... **ME** ART SHOW

Artists have the liberty to showcase their infinite creativity, unbound by a theme, in this open exhibit.

ONLINE ENTRY DEADLINE: JUNE 28, 2026

OPENING WEEKEND

Friday, July 10 | 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 11 | 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Additional Gallery Period

Monday through Friday | 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
July 13 to 31

Evening Viewing

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INFORMATION

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**CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

DATE: June 18, 2026

TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers

FROM: Greg Mediati, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Department Update

Stripe Donation for Electrified Maintenance Equipment

In 2025, the Parks and Recreation Department was fortunate to receive a donation from Stripe for purchasing electric small engine equipment, such as string trimmers, hedgers, chainsaws, leaf blowers, and edgers. This funding was accepted by the City Council at the October 10, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting.

The Department has completed a pilot set of electric equipment, with more being procured presently. Additionally, this past week, staff met with electrical contractors for a pre-bid walk for the construction of electric charging banks that are required for the effective deployment of this equipment. There has been some delay in locating an appropriate space for the charging bank at the Corporation Yard based on available space and electrical requirements. A final site has been found and work building the electrical infrastructure should begin towards the end of July once a contractor is selected and contracts are finalized.



Spring Ballet Showcase 2026



On Sunday, May 31, the Department's Civic Ballet, under the direction of Instructor Maria Spremich, held its annual Spring Ballet Showcase at the South San Francisco High School Auditorium in front of 500 guests. Approximately 65 dancers performed various acts for family and friends. Staff assigned to the backstage crew led efforts in stage preparation, lighting, music, and production support, helping ensure a seamless and successful performance. Volunteer Cristina Im (recent CPRS Volunteer Award recipient) oversaw costumes for all the dancers. Following tradition, three graduating high school

senior dancers, Liseth Barajas, Emily Im, and Hailey Lau, were recognized with a certificate of completion in the program. This certificate recognizes the hard work, dedication, and commitment that these participants have devoted to the program over the year, all while balancing their academic responsibilities. The Department is extremely happy with the turnout and success of this annual presentation.

Seniors Program Update

Recently, the Department's Senior Services staff partnered with the Police Department to host a Senior Pancake Breakfast at the Roberta Cerri Teglia Center. The event was a great success, drawing an excellent turnout from the older adult community.

Attendees enjoyed a delicious breakfast served by members of the Police Department while spending time with friends and neighbors of the community. The event provided a welcoming atmosphere for socializing, building community connections, and strengthening relationships between residents and local law enforcement. Staff are grateful to the South San Francisco Police Department and their volunteers for their partnership, hard work, and dedication in making this event possible. Their efforts helped create a fun, engaging, and memorable morning for everyone in attendance.



“Before the Moon Falls” Film Screening



The Parks and Recreation Department partnered with local non-profit Samoan Solutions to host a community screening of “Before the Moon Falls” at the Library | Parks and Recreation Center (LPR) on Friday, June 5. The event welcomed 54 community members.

Community partners in attendance included community resource organizations – All My Usos, Allcove San Mateo, Essence of Mana, Samoan Solutions, and Pacific Islander Wellness Initiative – as well as four Pacific Islander clinicians and nine event sponsors.



The evening featured poignant remarks from the film’s director, Kimberlee Bassford, who shared the inspiration behind the documentary and discussed its importance to the Pacific Islander community. Following the screening, a panel discussion provided an opportunity for audience members to engage in meaningful conversation, share perspectives, and reflect on the themes presented in the film.

As part of the powerful and moving film screening, mental health clinicians were available on-site to provide support and resources to attendees. We are honored to collaborate on this meaningful event and to support the Pacific Islander community through an evening of reflection, conversation, and connection.

**CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

DATE: June 25, 2026

TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers

FROM: Greg Mediati, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Department Update

Building Maintenance Division Update

City Hall Carpet Replacement

Building Maintenance staff is currently working with flooring contractors to replace carpeting in portions of City Hall. The City Manager's suite was completed over the weekend of June 12. Work is tentatively scheduled to continue in the Human Resources Department suite beginning on July 10. The Deputy City Managers' suite will be completed next, followed by the hallway near the first-floor elevator.



City Hall Campus Flagpole Painting

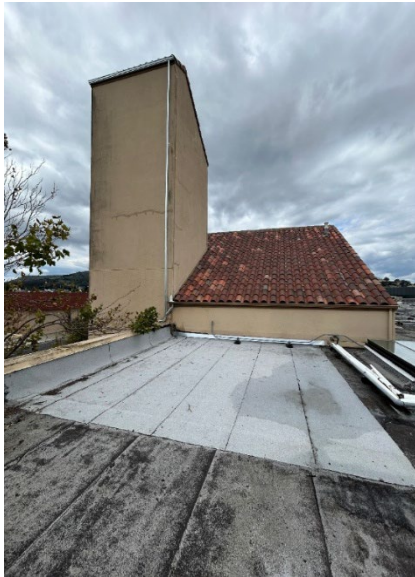
During the Juneteenth holiday weekend, Building Maintenance staff oversaw a maintenance project with a contracted vendor to repaint the flagpoles at City Hall and the Grand Avenue Library in advance of the America 250 celebration.

The work included the application of four coats of paint to restore and protect the flagpoles, as well as the replacement of the halyards and installation of new hardware at both locations. The improvements enhance the appearance, functionality, and long-term preservation of these important civic assets.



Gutter and Roof Repairs

Building Maintenance staff has been coordinating with roofing contractors to replace gutters and complete minor roof repairs at various City facilities including the Westborough Park Picnic Shelter, the Corporation Yard vehicle bays, the Teglia Center, and the Municipal Services Building. These improvements were necessary to address maintenance needs and preserve the condition of City-owned assets. The repairs help ensure a safe, functional, and well-maintained environment for staff, residents and visitors.



Parks Division Update

Orange Memorial Park Maintenance Update

Several projects are taking place at Orange Memorial Park. The renovation of the restrooms between the sports field and Eucalyptus Picnic Shelter are nearing completion with anticipated opening in late July / early August. New non-porous fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) panels are installed and all plumbing and electrical has been roughed in. An ADA compliant water fountain with bottle filler has also been installed. Additionally, staff worked with contractors to paint the Eucalyptus Picnic Shelter following replacement of gutters and downspouts. Refreshed planting around the back of the picnic shelter will take place later this summer.



Poletti Way Median Damage

The island at the exit of Highway 101 and Poletti Way was recently struck by a vehicle, damaging the backflow preventer valve as well as irrigation clock. Staff worked with contractors to make repairs and restore irrigation to the site. The backflows and clock were relocated approximately fifty feet away from the main path of travel to avoid future accidents.

Westborough Boulevard Median Damage

Separately, another car struck the backflow preventer located on the median that irrigates Westborough Boulevard from Junipero Serra Boulevard to Gellert Boulevard. Staff is aware that the lawn and landscape is browning and are working to relocate the backflow to a location that is less vulnerable to vehicle strikes.



CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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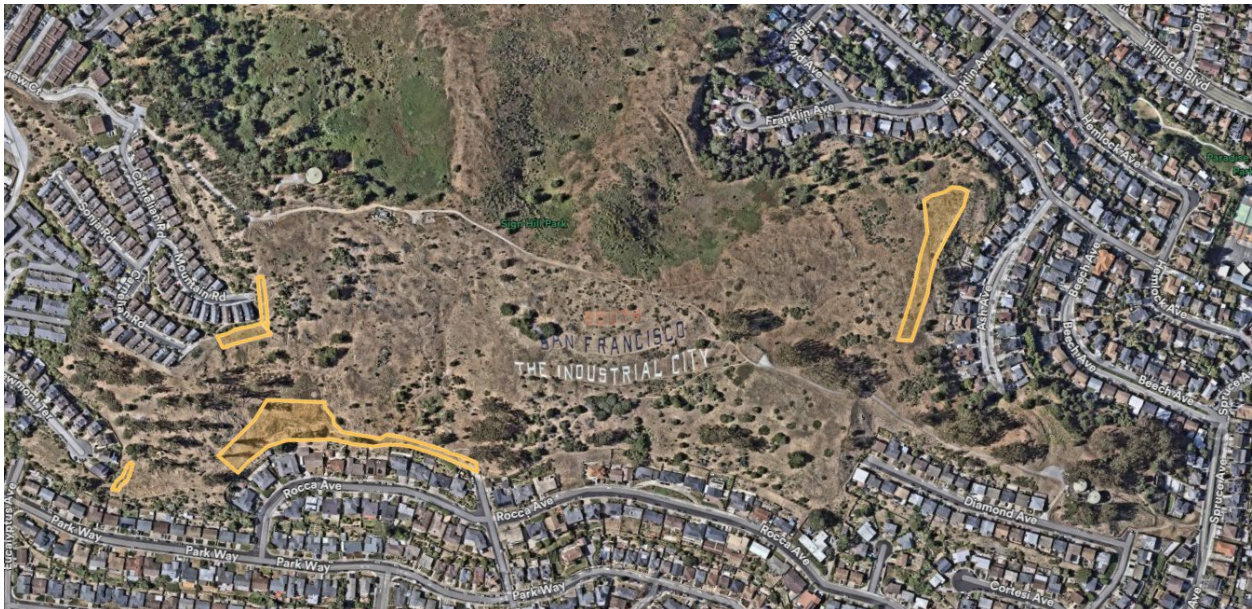
TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Councilmembers

FROM: Greg Mediati, Director of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Parks and Recreation Department Update

Sign Hill Fire Reduction Preparations

Parks staff have completed mowing in most of the high priority fire break areas on Sign Hill prior to 4th of July. Priorities are set based on type of vegetation, fuel load, and potential ladder fuels. Proximity to homes is also considered in these areas as well as ease of access. The areas marked in yellow have been mowed using the remote slope mower. The other areas around homes on the city property have lighter fuel load that would not pose a major concern or a naturally occurring buffer space already. Staff also placed no fireworks and warning signage at each entrance to the hill. In the image below you can see the fire break extending along the edge of the fences along Rocca Ave.



Grant Updates

The Parks and Recreation Department has received confirmation of the following grants for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. These grant awards will be presented at a future City Council meeting for formal acceptance.

Agency/Grant	Program Area	Amount
San Mateo Count Aging and Disability Services Older Americans Act Grant	Seniors	Congregate Nutrition: \$60,000 Adult Day Care: \$42,000 Assisted Transportation: \$13,000
AARP Community Challenge Grant – Capacity Building Microgrant	Seniors	Emergency preparation trainings and equipment for seniors: \$2,500
San Mateo County Big Lift Grant	Preschool	Little Steps Preschool: \$120,000

Senior Services

Adult Day Care Program Accepting New Clients



The Adult Day Care program offers seniors a variety of activities.

The City of South San Francisco has operated the Adult Day Care program since 1986 for older adults with disabilities such as Alzheimers, stroke, or Parkinsons as well as other disabilities. The program provides a safe and nurturing environment that is programmed for the client's needs, provides respite for family and caregivers, and makes it possible for individuals to remain active and in their community. Clients participate in a variety of activities that keep them connected and maximizes their abilities to maintain their physical, emotional, and social functioning while encouraging their highest level of independence. The Adult Day Care offers a structured activity program, including socialization, daily exercise, music, current events, entertainment, special events, and a chance to make new friends. A nutritious lunch is provided, as well as incorporating cooking projects and snacks.

Transportation is available to South San Francisco residents. Fees are charged on a sliding scale thanks to Older Americans Act grant funding received from San Mateo County Aging and Disability Services.

The Adult Day Care Program is offered Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Roberta Cerri Teglia Center on the second floor. Interested families and clients can choose from a variety of enrollment options that best fit their needs. Applications are currently being accepted.

Aquatics Program

Lifeguard Certification Crossover Course

On June 1 and 2, the Aquatics Program held an in-house lifeguard certification crossover course supporting its transition to StarGuard Elite (SGE) as its certifying agency, allowing currently



Staff training days at the pool.

certified American Red Cross lifeguards to bridge to the SGE standard. The course was completed by 12 lifeguards, bringing the total to 38 SGE-certified lifeguards. The remaining 19 staff will be scheduled for upcoming dates to stay on track with the program's goal of transitioning all current lifeguards to SGE before September 2026. The program will continue to hold both crossover and new certification courses beyond the goal date to certify additional staff and accommodate ongoing hiring.

Summer Staff In-Service

The pool was scheduled for closure from June 1 through June 14 to accommodate the crossover course and the summer staff in-service, both held in advance of the summer season beginning on June 15. The in-service took place the week of June 8, with approximately 50 staff in attendance each day preparing lifeguards, swim instructors, and front-desk staff. Training covered logistical and administrative information, swim instructor training, and lifeguard review, including emergency action plans (EAPs) and the practice of physical rescue skills. With many newer staff members in attendance this season, the in-service also incorporated team-building exercises to foster communication, cohesion, and confidence among staff ahead of the busy summer season. During this scheduled closure, the pool pump and heater were found to be out of service on June 8. Staff restored the pump, however, the heater remained out. Training was temporarily delayed for two days while repairs were made to the heater. The in-service resumed on June 12 with the in-water skills portion of lifeguard training. Despite the disruption, core training objectives were met, including the in-water rescue skills session.

Pool Heater Maintenance

The heater issue stemmed from the heater continuing to fire while the pump was out of service. With insufficient water pressure and flow, the heater overheated, causing the flue sensor to fail and short-circuit the heater's switchboard. Contractors and staff diagnosed and repaired the heater on June 10 and 11, after staff had restored the pump earlier in the week. Because the failure occurred during the pool's scheduled closure and the summer season was scheduled to begin on June 15, the outage did not disrupt any public programming. The heater is now running, the pool has returned to operating temperature, and the facility reopened on schedule. Staff will continue to closely monitor the pool heater and circulation pump.

Community and Operational Impact

With the heater repaired and staff training complete, the program is prepared to provide the community with the full summer programming, including swimming lessons, lap swim, recreational swimming, and exercise classes. Completing the crossover course and the in-service keeps the program on track with the certification and training schedule essential to meeting staffing

demands for the summer season and the transition to the new Aquatic Center later in 2026.

Cultural Arts Program

“Free to Be...Me” Art Show - July 10 and 11 Opening Weekend

The South San Francisco Cultural Arts Program presents a summertime visual art gallery show. The open exhibit does not have a theme. This freedom of expression allows artists to enjoy the liberty of displaying uniquely personal or innovative two-dimensional and three-dimensional work.

The juried show’s opening weekend is Friday, July 10, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Additionally on Friday, there will be a mesmerizing Hawaiian Hula presentation by the Parks and Recreation Hula program. This performance begins at 7:00 p.m.

Following the opening, there is an additional gallery period Monday through Friday beginning July 13 through July 31, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Special evening viewing takes place on Tuesday, July 28, with the gallery open from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The show takes place at the Library | Parks and Recreation Center (LPR), 3rd Floor gallery. Admission is free. Event information is available at www.ssfca.gov/pandrevents and www.ssfca.gov/culturalarts.