



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025
7:00 P.M.**

**Library | Parks and Recreation Building
City Council Chambers
901 Civic Campus Way, South San Francisco**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Burgo called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Chair Burgo, present
Vice Chair Camacho, present
Secretary Battaglia, present
Commissioner DeNardi, present
Commissioner Lock, present
Commissioner Rey, present
Commissioner Uy, present

AGENDA REVIEW

No changes to the agenda

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Concert in the Park Update:

Manager Armanino gives update on Concert in the Park. Manager Armanino apprises the Commissioners on performances, food and drink concessions, vendor booth, sports field activities, and safety and security plans and updates. She asks that Commissioners contact Keren Solano to reserve parking if interested.

Commissioners and staff engage in questions and comments regarding Concert in the Park.

2. Calendar of Events:

Director Mediati gives a brief update on the calendar of events noting one change to the calendar: the City Council meeting on October 8 is cancelled. He also shares that they will be having a pet costume contest on Halloween Extravaganza on October 18.

3. Administrative Updates:

Director Mediati gives an update on the administrative updates included in the agenda packet. Commissioner DeNardi shares her experiences at Festa Italiana and the Cultura Fest events.

FRIENDS OF PARKS & RECREATION

Manager Armanino shares that Friends of Parks and Recreation will be selling beer and wine at Concert in the Park.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

4. Motion to approve meeting minutes from the August 19, 2025, meeting.

Motion: Vice Chair Camacho / Seconded: Chair Burgo to approve minutes by roll call vote: AYES: Chair Burgo, Vice Chair Camacho, Secretary Battaglia, Commissioners Rey, Lock and Uy; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: Commissioner DeNardi

5. Cancellation of the November or December 2025 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting:

Director Mediati shares that as in past years, if they choose, the Commission may cancel one of the meetings in November or December. Commissioners discuss and motion is made to cancel the November meeting.

Motion: Vice Chair Camacho / Seconded: Commissioner Lock to cancel the November Parks and Recreation Commission meeting by roll call: AYES: Chair Burgo, Vice Chair Camacho, Secretary Battaglia, Commissioners Rey Uy, DeNardi, and Lock; NAYS: None; ABSENT: None.

ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Lock shares that he attended and really enjoyed Festa Italiana. He shares that he will be joining the San Mateo County Commission on Aging and welcomes any input from the Commission.

Commissioner Rey asked if there was any feedback received after the Cultura Fest and do we anticipate doing it again next year. Director Mediati responds that he thinks there would be a desire to do it again next year. It was one of the Mayor's signature events this year and the City did contribute financially and overall; the event went smoothly. Commissioner Rey then asks if there are any other events planned that someone else is taking the lead on that has collaborated with us on. Director Mediati responds that he has not heard of any other co-sponsored events. He did hear that next year there may be another different event, potentially for Fourth of July.

Commissioner DeNardi comments that it was nice to see the sponsorship at Cultura Fest and thought it was impressive and especially flyers. She shares that recently she attended the Kings Mountain Art Fair, and it was amazing. She thanks City staff for all that they do for the community. Commissioner DeNardi shares that she recently watched a podcast with Rich Lee and thought the dialogue was great. She will be looking for more topics that interest her.

Vice Chair Camacho agrees that Cultura Fest was fantastic. It would be nice to have that kind of event again and loved that a lot of the different departments from the City were there to represent. Vice Chair Camacho then shares that she's been appointed to the San Mateo County Office of Education Childcare Partnership Council. She will attend Halloween Extravaganza if she can and will love to

help judge the pet costume contest. Commissioner DeNardi comments that she will not be able to attend due to a prior engagement.

Secretary Battaglia would like to congratulate Josh Roberts on the presentation on the planetarium, reading the synopsis was very interesting and she hopes to be able to attend a future presentation. She also congratulates the Sign Hill Sluggers. She then comments that she heard that they may do performances at the Farmers Market and thinks that it would be a good thing for the Market. She shares that the field trip the Seniors took was fun. Manager O'Brien comments that the intern that they have did an amazing job with getting the performing arts elements that they're looking to add to the Farmers Market rolling that they will be working with the Cultural Arts Commission to roll out. Then she apprises Secretary Battaglia that Teglia Center staff will host Josh Roberts for two more presentations that she can attend.

Vice Chair Camacho shares that Movie Night in the Park was great and all the activities that were planned were adorable.

Commissioner Uy agrees that Cultura Fest was great, and it was nice to see the groups that aren't traditionally represented. More opportunities like that for people in the community would be great. He's looking forward to Concert in the Park and plans to attend.

Chair Burgo shares that Movie Night at Martin Elementary had a good turnout and it was nice to be able to walk around and mingle with people. She will be attending Concert in the Park. Chair Burgo comments that at the beginning of the Linden Park project, naming the park was talked about and asks if Linden Park is going to be the official name of the new park or if the name will come about later. Director Mediati responds that City Council or their sub-committee is working on updating the naming policy and the naming is on hold until that new policy is adopted. Chair Burgo comments that with former Mayor Pedro Gonzalez passing, it would be nice to have a dedication and if it doesn't come as the name of the park, it would be nice to have some other kind of dedication like a bench or plaque. Chair Burgo congratulates Commissioner Lock and Vice Chair Camacho on their new positions.

ITEMS FROM STAFF

Director Mediati shares that there will be one more co-sponsored group coming before the Commission at an upcoming meeting. Vice Chair Camacho comments that a previous co-sponsored group, The Mothers Club, will be closing.

Director Mediati then shares that they've filled some key staff positions and will try to get them into one of the meetings to meet the Commissioners.

Manager Armanino comments that since Commissioner DeNardi will not be able to attend Halloween Extravaganza this year, if any other Commissioners who would like to represent the Park and Recreation Commission with their car at the Halloween Extravaganza to let her know.

Deputy Director Duldulao shares that she would like to recognize that passing of Sensei Sue Miller. Her celebration of life was tonight, and it was a beautiful event with people sharing their memories. Her contributions to the City and influence over youth, teens and adults were significant.

Manager O'Brien makes a few quick announcements.

- At Concert in the Park, there will be tents with the artists with their proposal for the art at the

Aquatics Center, there will be a reveal where the community can give their input and talk to the artists.

- On October 12, they will have five artist reveals for the new park at Linden and Pine and that will take place at the site of the planned new park.
- The October Art Show is coming up. The theme is “Past, Present and Future, Celebrating Indigenous Culture.” Right now, there is a call for entries from artists submissions are due by September 22. The show will take place on October 3 - 4.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Chair Burgo adjourned the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Jeanette Yoshida
Administrative Assistant II

Brittany Burgo
Chair, Parks & Recreation Commission

Approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission: ____/____/____