



# **MINUTES**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

### **PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026  
7:00 P.M.**

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

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Camacho called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

#### **AGENDA REVIEW**

No changes to the agenda.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

##### **1. Genentech Public Park Project:**

Director Mediati shares that the presentation is to get some feedback and consensus from the Commission. He introduces Sophie Martin from the Genentech design team to give a brief presentation. Sophie Martin gives a brief background on the development agreement and updates on the planning and design of the public park on the bayfront. Lead designer, Chris Guillard from CMG Landscape Architects, shares the public outreach process performed as well as a presentation of the proposal for the park design.

Commissioners, Sophie Martin, Chris Guillard and staff engage in discussion regarding the park concepts and design.

##### **2. Report regarding an update on the Linden Avenue Park Project (project no. pk2305) and Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center Project (project no. pk2310):**

Deputy Director Philip Vitale shares slides and gives an update on the Linden Avenue Park Project.

Commissioners and staff engage in discussion regarding the Linden Avenue Park Project.

Deputy Director Vitale then gives an update on the Orange Memorial Park Aquatic Center and shares photos in the progress if the work being done.

Commissioners and staff engage in discussion regarding the new Aquatic Center.

**3. Calendar of Events:**

Director Mediati gives a brief update of the Calendar of Events. He shares that the pickleball court design approval will go before the City Council next Wednesday, February 25. He states that the design team did a great job taking feedback and were able to incorporate all into the design. The café for the LPR will also be on the agenda for the City Council meeting on the 25.

**4. Administrative Updates:**

Director Mediati shares that Genentech will make a contribution towards Concert in the Park, which will help elevate the level of performances this year. He also shares information on maintenance updates, and an award Brooke Bayangos received for her support of the Junior Giants.

**FRIENDS OF PARKS & RECREATION**

No updates at this time.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

**5. Motion to approve meeting minutes from the January 20, 2026, meeting:**

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

**ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Rey thought the “What is Love” art show was excellent. She thanks the Cultural Arts Commission and staff. Commissioner Rey attended the Lunar New Year Celebration and thought it was great. Having the lion dancers outside was good but thinks that the arts and crafts area should be moved to a bigger room because there were so many people. Commissioner Rey asks for there to be a central calendar with Library and Park and Recreation events. She suggests that there were a couple small things to look into for next time, namely that signage coming in was a little small for those visiting and the sound system was not too great, so it was hard to hear people talking. Commissioner Rey comments on the activity guide and liked Greg Mediati’s intro, highlighting our stewards and the call to action.

Commission DeNardi is excited to hear about the Lunar New Year event being able to take place outside this year. She shares that she had a great time in the Santa Cruz/Capitola area recently and there was a state-of-the-art restroom at the new wharf and encouraged staff and other Commissioners to check it out online. She shares she was also able to visit Henry Cowell State Park, and it was beautiful. She enjoyed forest bathing and would like to see a collaboration between Parks and Recreation and the Cypress Lawn Foundation to teach the community what forest bathing is about and the importance of being out in nature. Commissioner DeNardi also shares that she’s happy to see

that there are more flyers of upcoming events in the kiosks to keep the community informed and engaged.

Vice Chair Uy thanks staff for their work with the new pickleball project. In speaking with people at Washington Park, some of which were South San Francisco residents, they are looking forward to dedicated pickleball courts. Commissioner Uy comments that a lot of people like the diversity of the classes offered in the activity guide. He then shares that he was at a park in Tiburon and Sausalito and comments on the condition of their restrooms. He liked that in Tiburon, along the trail, they had bike repair stations and thinks that it would be a great idea to add something like that on the Bay Trail or Centennial Trail. Commissioner DeNardi comments that there are repair stations along Centennial Way Trail.

Chair Camacho shares that she also was excited about the activity guide and a class starting this spring that will offer Filipino American children the opportunity to rediscover their roots. She then asks when we be kicking of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan to which Director Mediati responded that the plan was to issue the RFP by the end of last month but are now pulling out some portions that were in the scope to have as a standalone project. Commissioner Camacho then shares that she loved the “What is Love” art show and gives kudos to Ercie Santos and the Cultural Arts Commission for doing a great job and gives a special thanks to the San Mateo County Arts Commissioner who served as judge during the art show. She heard the South City Folk Jam group for the first time and thought they were great, and she suggests having them or a local group as an opener at Concert in the Park.

#### **ITEMS FROM STAFF**

Deputy Director Duldulao thanks Manager O’Brien for serving as our District 4 president as she has completed her term at the end of the year.

Manager O’Brien informs the Commission that the department has identified some savings at the mid-year, so they didn’t put forward any mid-year requests. The savings were all based on the postponement of the opening of the aquatic center. She shares with the Commission how much and where those saving were identified from. Chair Camacho if there is going to be any cuts from programs to which Manager O’Brien stated that this is just mid-year and they are currently working on next year requests. Director Mediati adds that this coming fiscal year, they will start fiscal sustainability plan understanding that there is a deficit within the city.

Chair Camacho shares with the Commission that the next awards and recognition dinner for CPRS on May 7 in Campbell.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business, Vice Chair Camacho adjourned the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

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Jeanette Yoshida  
Administrative Assistant II

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Kristy Camacho  
Chair, Parks & Recreation Commission

Approved by the Parks and Recreation Commission: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_