



ALAMEDA RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING

DATE: Thursday, October 10, 2024
TIME: 7:00 p.m. Called to Order
PLACE: City Hall Council Chambers

A video recording of the meeting may be viewed at <https://alameda.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>
The following are action minutes in keeping with the Sunshine Ordinance 2-91.17.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Alexander, Vice Chair Swartz, Commissioner Burney, Commissioner Radez and Commissioner Robbins

Absent: None

Staff: Alameda Recreation and Park Department (ARPD) Director Justin Long, ARPD Office Assistant Donna Conde

Chair Alexander asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak for three minutes regarding a matter that is not on the agenda. There was no non-agenda public comment.

2. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

- None

3. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Recreation and Park Director Justin Long gave the Director Report. See Exhibit 1.

4. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION

- Commissioner Burney: Shared that he recently completed a triathlon and had been resting instead of training in the parks. Thanked Director Long and ARPD Staff for the hard work put into the Aquatic Center referring to the Recreation and Park Commission meeting held on September 12, 2024.
- Commissioner Radez: Asked Director Long how community members submit maintenance requests and if he monitors the "See Click Fix" system. Director Long responded that maintenance staff actively monitor the system, receive email notifications, and assign tasks accordingly. Commissioner Radez shared that he had spent most of his time coaching Little League Baseball since the last meeting. He recognized adults, volunteers, and city staff for helping kids learn life lessons through recreation. He volunteered for a coastal clean-up on September 21, 2024.
- Commissioner Robbins: Asked about land expansion at City View Skate Park. Director Long replied that there is an adjacent paved parking lot and room to grow, determined by the budget and community input. Commissioner Robbins, on behalf of the Recreation and Park Commission, attended the Alameda Municipal Power meeting on September 16, 2024, the City Council meeting on September 17, 2024, the Alameda Education Foundation Fundraiser at The Rake, the Blues, Brews & BBQ event on September 22, 2024 and Alameda Pride at Chochenyo

Park on October 5, 2024. He urged the community to go to the Annual Holiday Boutique, November 2 and 3, 2024 at Albert H. DeWitt Officers' Club, as partial proceeds go towards the ARPD Scholarship Fund.

- Vice Chair Swartz: Asked if a vendor has been chosen for the ARPD work order system. Director Long shared that ARPD is researching Cartegraph, a system that is user-friendly for field staff. Vice Chair Swartz participated in the Alameda Friends of the Parks Family Fun Ride on September 14, 2024 and thanked organizers for a great event. Thanked ARPD Aquatic Staff for working during the unusually hot weather.
- Chair Alexander: Congratulated Commissioner Burney on completing his triathlon. Thanked Vice Chair Swartz for leading the September Recreation and Park Commission meeting. She stated that as she had been traveling and not able to attend, she felt it was not appropriate for her to disclose her vote and make her final decision known regarding the Aquatic Center until all public comment and communication had been heard. She went to the City of Alameda Employee Appreciation Event at Jean Sweeney Open Space Park on September 12, 2024 and was proud to represent the Recreation and Park Commission in honoring and celebrating Pat Russi and his 40 year anniversary with ARPD. She acknowledged him single-handedly reviving the Fourth of July Parade after the pandemic. She thanked ARPD Staff for a great summer and acknowledged the work being put into the Winter Spring 2025 Activity Guide.

5. MINUTES

Vice Chair Swartz moved to accept the minutes of the September 12, 2024 Regular Meeting as presented.

M/S Vice Chair Swartz / Commissioner Robbins. All who were present at the September 12, 2024 meeting were in favor with four ayes via roll call vote.

6. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

6-A Recommendation to modify and update existing Tennis and Pickleball policies (Exhibit 2) and make the trial pickleball courts at Leydecker Park permanent.

ARPD Director Justin Long presented on the Tennis and Pickleball Policy Update, Tennis Rule Modifications, Pickleball Rule Modifications, and Signage Updates.

Public Comments

- Speaker Carter Chapman: Thanked Director Long for his hard work in expanding pickleball in Alameda. Addressed tennis courts being restricted to "Tennis Only". Believes that broader needs of community, inclusivity, and benefits of multi-use recreational spaces are overlooked. Mentioned courts as a space for children to learn to bicycle ride if they do not have a driveway, sidewalk, or street. Spoke of unnecessary conflicts among community members instead of focus on cooperation and connection in shared outdoor spaces.
- Speaker Rod Harris: Alameda resident. Commented that pickleball expansion at Leydecker Park has been a success and is glad its permanency is being considered. Encouraged as much public access to parks that is practical and possible.

- Speaker Ann Haslup: Thanked Director Long for great work. Stated that there is a definitive change and less conflict with regards to the “Tennis Only” signage. Believes tennis and pickleball can coexist but sports require different nets and court lines. Mentioned possibility of using defunct courts throughout Alameda, such as those at Ballena Bay.
- Speaker Ken Fagel: Alameda resident and homeowner. Stated that Washington Park Tennis Courts are a longstanding location for tennis players, they are busy enough and pickleball players need to find their own courts. Agreed that added pickleball courts at Leydecker Park were helpful.
- Speaker Charlie DeWett: Captain of USTA Teams. Thanked Director Long and ARPD Staff for hard work and signage at Washington Park. Shared that he had been involved in police reports regarding pickleball and tennis conflict. Said there have been no issues since signage has been posted. Stated that pickleball play next to tennis is extremely loud, distracting and disruptive, it is a good sport but needs to be played in an isolated space with its own facilities.
- Speaker Brian Tremper (online): Thanked the Recreation and Park Commission and ARPD Staff for their hard work and opening up Leydecker Pickleball Courts. Commented that it has been helpful in improving the wait times at Lincoln Park and requested that all courts be open later, if possible. Encouraged building more courts at Alameda Point.
- Speaker Richard Thomas (online): Stated that he does not understand need for bifurcation and questioned enforcement of rules. Believes access to resources should be shared between pickleball and tennis.
- Speaker Teri Rose (online): Registered under Joseph Bagliari because her computer was not working. Thanked Director Long for his hard work, listening, allocating the space at Leydecker Park, and extending court hours through the winter. Commented on him being level-headed, inclusive and an exceptional pleasure to work with. Grateful for added court space, however, not pleased with exclusivity of Washington Park and felt blind-sighted by “Tennis Only” signage.

Commissioner Comments

- Commissioner Burney: Asked if a practice wall will become available for pickleball players. Director Long replied that there is a pickleball practice wall at Lincoln Park. Commissioner Burney emphasized using common sense and consideration regarding court use. Director Long clarified that all court rules are enforced equally for everyone. He encouraged using other non-vehicular park spaces such as Seaplane Lagoon and Bohol Immigrant Circle Park to practice bicycle riding.
- Commissioner Radez: None.
- Commissioner Robbins: Asked about the practice wall at Washington Park. Director Long responded that City Council gave the directive that Washington Park is established as a “Tennis Only” facility, this includes the practice wall. Asked about the tennis court rental process and if 14 days can be shortened when obtaining a rental permit. Director Long stated that he and ARPD Staff will look into modifying the number of days to obtain a rental permit. Commissioner

Robbins inquired who to contact when disagreements occur regarding court use. Director Long responded that users contact the ARPD main line 510-747-7529 during business hours and the number listed on our website after hours. He recommended calling the non-emergency police line for escalated events and 911 for emergencies. He explained that there is a weekend park ambassador that checks for permits and rentals, reducing any potential conflicts. The tennis court signs have QR codes which can be scanned to verify court rentals. Commissioner Robbins shared that he is a USTA Captain and president of the Gay and Lesbian Tennis Federation which play in Alameda and Oakland. The only time there are court issues are on the weekends when certain organizations take three allocated courts and three courts for practice and refuse to share. They rotate amongst other players within their group and do not leave the courts. He is hopeful the signage will deter misuse of the courts. He suggested that the after hours phone number be posted on signage. Reiterated that the Recreation and Park Commission can help channel any issues, but City Council makes final decisions. Emphasized that if the community wants to make changes to sports facilities, then funding and raising taxes is required.

- Vice Chair Swartz: Recapped that there are no court rules being changed, only clarification of the court rules. Emphasized the message of the signage is the prioritization of designated courts for specific use. Agreed with the speaker who encouraged comradie between not just pickleball and tennis players but all community members.
- Chair Alexander: Asked about the time clock rules at the tennis courts. Director Long responded that it is required to use the time clocks. Chair Alexander shared her concern about enforcement of the court rules. Made reference to public comment and stated that changes could be made to courts, such as those at Ballena Bay, if funding was available. Asked Commissioner Robbins how often he encountered pickleball players trying to play at Washington Park. He replied “never”. She asked Director Long for clarification regarding court use for tennis groups and the public. He responded that 50% of court space available is the maximum allocation for any group. Washington Park has six tennis courts available in which three of those courts are allocated to USTA at any given time for practices and matches. Currently, there is an exception for Alameda High School to use all six courts due to the school's tennis courts closure. Chair Alexander requested clarification on the signage, and Director Long responded that City Council had made the decision stating that the Washington Park Tennis Courts are for “Tennis Only”. All other rule modifications are for the Recreation and Park Commission to approve for ARPD.

MOTION

Commissioner Radez motioned to approve the modification updating the existing Tennis and Pickleball policies and make the trial pickleball courts at Leydecker Park permanent.

Commissioner Robbins made the amendment to include the after hours phone number at the tennis courts.

M/S Commissioner Radez / Commissioner Robbins
All present in favor with five ayes via roll call vote.

6-B Nominate and Vote on Recreation and Park Commission Chair and Vice Chair

Public Comments

- None.

Commissioner Comments

- Commissioner Burney: Asked Commissioner Radez and Vice Chair Swartz if either of them wish to be Chair, and both replied that they would step forward if needed.
- Commissioner Radez: Appreciated Chair Alexander for being an excellent example during her tenure. Offered himself to become the Chair of the Recreation and Park Commission and shared that his personal and professional experiences would contribute to the role. He is passionate about recreation and facilities in the civic life of our community and the assurance that programs are widely accessible, broadly programmed, and affordable for the public. He would see his role as Chair as ensuring that the Recreation and Park Commission is a sounding board for ARPD and a vehicle to hear community voices and concerns. He stated that he would be happy to step forward as Chair should the need exist or support a different Chair if that is the outcome.
- Commissioner Robbins: Recommended Vice Chair Swartz for the Chair position and Commissioner Radez for the Vice Chair position. Thought it to be a natural progression. Commented that Chair Alexander had done a phenomenal job of staying impartial and helping lead discussion. Shared that commissioners must listen, and it is inappropriate to promote own values, discuss information from their individual perspective, or sway public opinion too much. Chair Alexander thanked Commissioner Robbins for the compliments and said it is okay to have strong opinions but listen to the public, the staff report, and what is best for the community.
- Vice Chair Swartz: Thanked Commissioner Robbins for the recommendation to become the Recreation and Park Commission Chair. Thanked Chair Alexander for her knowledge and leadership. Stated that, as current Vice Chair, he feels well-prepared to step into the role as Chair. Glad to support fellow commissioners interested in the Chair position as there will be future opportunities.
- Chair Alexander: Shared that she took the position as Chair when there was a change of leadership at ARPD. Director Long thanked Chair Alexander for all her years of service and staying on an additional year. He spoke of the importance of the role to help guide the Recreation and Park Commission to prepare and develop our park system in a responsible way. Chair Alexander expressed that the role takes time and effort. She met and had discussion with the ARPD Director prior to each meeting. She attended as many ARPD events as possible as the job entails being out and listening to the public. She made recommendation that Commissioner Radez be the Recreation and Park Commission Chair and Vice Chair Swartz remain Vice Chair.

MOTION

Chair Alexander motioned to recommend that Commissioner Radez be Chair and Vice Chair Swartz be Vice Chair for a year, then follow with the Vice Chair becoming Chair.

M/S Chair Alexander / Commissioner Robbins

All present in favor with five ayes via roll call vote.

7. NEXT MEETING

7-A Next Regular Meeting is November 14, 2024

7-B Possible Agenda Items for the Next Meeting:

- Outcome of Public Art in Park Locations

8. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Alexander asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M/S Commissioner Alexander / Vice Chair Swartz
All present in favor with five ayes via roll call vote.

Chair Radez adjourned the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

10/10/2024 ARPD Director's Report
Presented by Recreation and Park Director Justin Long

Upcoming Citywide Community Events:

- **Monthly Coastal Cleanup, Saturday, October 12, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**, Meet at Seaplane Lagoon, 2151 Ferry Point. Bring gloves and a bucket or paper bag. For details, visit www.casa-alameda.org
- **Alameda Inaugural Rum Stroll, Saturday, October 19, 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM**. Sip and stroll your way through our historic downtown district tasting premium rum selections served neat. Enjoy an evening filled with drinks, live music and a few tasty bites while learning about the unique styles of Northern California distillers and beyond. For details and to purchase tickets, visit www.alamedastrolls.com
- **Friends of the Library Book Sale, Wednesday - Saturday, October 23 – 26, Main Library**, 1550 Oak St. Low prices on quality used books, CDs and DVDs. Fiction, non-fiction, children's books and more! Visit www.alamedafree.org for more details.
- **Alameda Day of the Dead Nighttime 5k and Kids Run, Friday, November 1, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**. Meet at the **USS Hornet**, 707 West Hornet Ave., for a unique evening run around beautiful Alameda Point. A portion of the proceeds will go to the USS Hornet Museum. To register, visit www.outfrontendurance.com/events
- **Midway Shelter Winter Run, Saturday, December 7, 7:30 AM – 11:00 AM**. Meet at the **Harbor Bay Ferry Terminal** on Bay Farm Island and run along the shoreline. This event supports the Midway Shelter of Alameda, a program that provides a safe and supportive environment for unhoused women and children. To register, visit www.outfrontendurance.com/events
- **Winter Market, Saturday, December 7, 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM**. Celebrate the season with sparkle & fun! All are welcome to the Downtown Alameda Winter Market featuring local vendors, entertainment, festive sips and delicious bites. More details at www.downtownalameda.com
- **Hot Cocoa Stroll, Saturday, December 7, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**. A variety of local businesses will offer a warm welcome and a delectable assortment of treats. Take your time visiting shops, restaurants, and other fabulous services located in Alameda's downtown district. More details at www.downtownalameda.com
- **Winter Lights Celebration, Saturday, December 7, 5:30 PM at Alameda City Hall, 2263 Santa Clara Ave**. Dancing Christmas Trees, Tree Lighting, live music, donation stations and more!

Upcoming Recreation Events:

- **Alameda Walks Series**, last two walks of the season. Walks begin at **9:00 AM**. No registration required. More details on our website.
 - On **Saturday, October 19**, meet at **Longfellow Park, 520 Lincoln Ave.**, to explore the West End and learn about Longfellow Park. Dennis Evanovsky will lead this walk.
 - On **Saturday, October 26**, meet at **Jean Sweeney Open Space Park, 1925 Sherman St**. Learn about Jean Sweeney Open Space Park and its history, the Del Monte development, and Littlejohn Park Recreation Center.
- **Alameda Youth Committee (AYC)** is gearing up for the **19th Annual Haunted House!** This year's theme is "In the mind of Tim Burton". The decorating and creating have already begun with over 80 teens participating from all over the island! The event will be held at South Shore Center, near TJMaxx Store. AYC and South Shore have partnered to host

this year's popular event on **Friday, October 25, 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM, Saturday, Oct. 26, 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM and Sunday, October 27, 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM.**

- **44th Annual Alameda Holiday Boutique, Saturday and Sunday, November 2 and 3, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Albert H. DeWitt O' Club, 641 West Redline Ave.** Find unique homemade and handcrafted gift items. The proceeds from this event help fund the Leisure Club Program and ARPD Scholarship Fund. More details, visit www.alamedaholidayboutique.org
- **The Elk's/ARPD Hoop Shoot** is set to begin at local sites in Alameda, featuring three age divisions for both boys and girls. Participants will attempt as many free throws as possible out of 25 tries. All site winners will advance to the citywide finals on the evening of Friday, December 13, at the Alameda Point Gymnasium. For more information, visit www.elks.org/hoopshoot
- **22nd Annual Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, December 14, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Albert H. DeWitt O' Club, 641 West Redline Ave.** Join Santa for breakfast, arts and crafts and take a photo with the big guy! Register by Sunday, December 1. Visit our website for more information.

Aquatic Programs:

- **Registration is open for the 4th Annual Pumpkin Patch Pool Party!** This fun community event is not to be missed! Join us on **Sunday, October 27 at Encinal Swim Center.** Cost: \$15 per person. Play games and crafts, have treats by the pool, enjoy 1 ½ hours of swim time, and take home a pumpkin! Space is limited and fill up quickly, so sign up now.
- **Registration opens on Sunday, October 27,** for November and December Sunday Swim Lessons. Private and Group Lessons for all age groups and swim abilities are available. Familiarize your child and/or yourself with water fun and pool safety! Visit our website to register. Lessons take place at **Encinal Swim Center, Encinal High School.**
- **Lap Swim** is available during the day, visit our website to view the schedule.
- **Water Walking** is available Monday – Thursday mornings, visit our website to view the schedule.

Youth:

- The Fall **Tiny Tots Program** currently has over **50** preschoolers, **ages 3 – 5**, learning about arts, crafts, storytelling games, cooking, music, motor fitness and outside play at **Godfrey, McKinley, and Woodstock Parks.**
- **Wee Play**, a caregiver/child play group, has returned to the **Veteran's Building** this fall with over 100 families registered in the **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday program from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM.** This popular program is a great opportunity for toddlers (**age 18 months - 3 years old**) to socialize and have fun.
- ARPD is providing all-day recreation care for **kindergarten – 5th graders** on **Monday, October 14**, corresponding with the Alameda Unified School District holiday schedule. **A Day in the Park Camp** will take place at **Krusi Park Recreation Center, STEAM Camp at Leydecker Park** and **All Sports Camp** at the **Alameda Point Gymnasium.** Spaces are filling up quickly, visit our website to enroll!
- The Fall **Recreation Afterschool Program (RAP)** continues to help Alameda families and currently supervises over **200 kindergarten – 5th graders** by providing recreational activities on weekday afternoons. RAP sites with available spots include: **Leydecker, Lincoln/Harrison Center, Washington, and Bayport Parks.** Visit our website to register.

Teen/Tween:

- **The Underground Teen Center** is going strong with an average of **30** teens attending each weekday.
- **LGBTQ+ Center Opening, Friday, October 11, 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM for 6th - 8th graders, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM for 9th – 12th graders.** Every **second Friday of the month** at the **Underground Teen Center**, Veterans Memorial Building, 2203 Central Ave. For more information, visit www.alamedapride.com and www.accyf.org
- **Alameda Youth Committee (AYC)** continues its recruitment for members (6th – 12th graders) for the 2024-2025 school year. AYC meets twice a month and provides a great opportunity for teens to gain valuable leadership skills, make new friends and have fun! AYC hours count towards school community service requirements. For more details and to register, visit our website.

Sports:

- **Indoor Drop-in Pickleball** is offered at **Alameda Point Gym**, 1101 West Redline Ave. on **Friday mornings**.
- **Adult Softball** (coed, men and women) is nearing completion of its fall season league. There are **45** teams with over **648** participants playing at Leydecker, Upper Washington, and Lower Washington Park fields.

Recreation Highlights:

- ARPD continues to offer the Physical Education program for Home School youth, Mobile Recreation at Esperanza Apartments as well as pop up recreation classes for all the community! Check the website for these new programs such as “**Free Yoga in the Park**”, **Monday, October 28, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM at Lincoln Park**, 1450 High St. All ages welcome. Bring a mat and dress comfortably for the weather.

Staff Recognition:

- **Adele Hope** has worked in the Tiny Tot program at ARPD since 1990, dedicating over 34 years to early childhood education. She has positively impacted thousands of children in Alameda. Her commitment and service deserve heartfelt appreciation - thank you, Adele, for all that you do!
- **Bernadette Scully** is celebrated for her work with preschoolers, including her role as the summer coordinator for Tenderfoot Camp. Over the past year, she has revitalized the Wee Play program after its COVID hiatus, now serving hundreds of families. Great job on developing the program, Bernadette!
- **Rod Mofrad** and **Kayla Nunn** led the effort to revitalize the Underground Teen Center this summer. Thanks to their hard work, regular attendance increased, providing teens with a safe and fun place to hang out. Shout to Rod and Kayla!
- **Pat Russi** has been providing fun for ARPD since 1984, and this year we proudly celebrate his 40th anniversary with the department. As our lead Recreation Services Manager, he has influenced every program, bringing joy and inspiration to countless individuals. He is the essence of ARPD, and it is an honor to work alongside him. Big thank you to Pat, we hope to share many more years of fun and success!

Challenges and Accomplishments:

- Continued issues finding viable staff to meet the needs of current programming. Implementation of any new programming needs to consider feasible staffing.
- Learning to respond to situations with unhoused individuals that create program issues for ARPD staff and participants at certain city parks.
- Challenges with AUSD new schedule of early dismissal every Wednesday throughout the school year.

Mastick Upcoming Events:

- **Spooktacular Halloween Line Dance, Saturday, October 26, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM.** Get into the spirit and dress in costume! Light refreshments provided. Cost: \$10 at the door.

Mastick Senior Center Highlights:

- On Saturday, **September 7, Bingo** took place in the Social Hall with **80 people** in attendance. Participants had a great time playing and socializing. The next Bingo event is scheduled for Saturday, November 2.
- The **Mastick Speaker Series** featured two educational lectures. On Wednesday, September 11, **Fire Department Chief Nick Luby** discussed safety conditions in and around the home in recognition of National Safety Month; and on Wednesday, September 25, award-winning historian and author **Dennis Evanosky**, gave a presentation on the history of Alameda.
- **“Introduction to Artificial Intelligence”** class took place on Monday, **September 9** in the Mastick Computer Lab. **50 seniors** attended this lecture which covered how to use and interact with AI apps and websites.
- Community members took part in an afternoon full of lively music, great food, and plenty of fun at the **Mastick Tea Party & Hat Show** held in the Social Hall on Saturday, **September 21**. Over **60 people** attended, and donned their favorite hats, mingled, and enjoyed a wonderful fashion show. The event was sponsored by over 25 local businesses that donated raffle prizes for the event.
- **25 Leisure Club participants** attended the Oakland A's vs. Texas Rangers game on Wednesday, **September 25**, one of the final games at the Oakland Coliseum.
- The **Mastick Mural Project** is getting closer to a final design. Volunteers, members, and staff have met throughout the summer to share creative ideas and input for the Thrift Shop wall facing Santa Clara Ave. The Mastick Senior Center Advisory Board (MSCAB) will meet and vote on the design on Wednesday, **October 16 at 9:00 AM**.
- **Helping Hands East Bay**, a community organization based in Alameda, provides resources and empowerment to adults with developmental disabilities. The program continues to assist Mastick Staff with various projects and tasks around the Center every Thursday from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM.
- Current number of **Mastick registered members is: 4,398** (as of September 30, 2024)

Ongoing Programs:

- **“Music Appreciation”** will take place on **October 24, 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM** in **Dining Room 2**. Volunteer Bill Sturm leads a discussion and piano performance of various composers on the **fourth Thursday of each month**. Stop by and enjoy!
- The **Mastick Movie Matinee** is held on the **first and third Wednesday of each month at 12:30 PM** in **Dining Room 2** and features a variety of movies that include current blockbusters as well as the classics. No registration required. Join us!

- The **New Member Orientation** is held the **second Thursday of each month at 10:30 AM** and offers a guided tour and introduction to the Center and a coupon for a complimentary lunch! To register, call 510-747-7500.
- The **Mastick Thrift Shop** is open **Tuesdays and Saturdays, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**. Donations are welcome on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM. Please check our website for criteria on what items are accepted.

Parks:

- Completed Projects:
 - Cleaned landscape at Seaplane Lagoon. Pruned, replenished wood chips, removed tree stakes.
- Current Projects:
 - Maintenance to high use and high traffic areas of sports fields.
 - Tillman Park Playground replacement installation. Sandbox will be removed; surfacing will be installed with rubberized “pour in place” to improve accessibility and safety.
 - In design review of Estuary Park phase 2, expected to go out to bid early 2025.
 - Staff has identified a workorder system that we are looking to procure to track projects for unscheduled/scheduled maintenance to improve workflow.
 - Grant extension was awarded for Jean Sweeney Open Space Park trail connectors. Waiting on Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) comments and review.
 - Preparing/obtaining proposals for repair and replacement of lighting at Seaplane Lagoon that was vandalized/stolen.
 - Cleaning landscape at Bohol Immigrant Circle Park. Pruning, replenishing wood chips, removing tree stakes.
- Upcoming Projects:
 - The Washington Park restrooms are set to undergo a comprehensive upgrade. Planned improvements will bring the facility up to code, enhance accessibility and ensure ADA compliance.
 - Installation of two scoreboards at Estuary Park. Thank you to the Alameda Friends of the Parks for their support.
 - Park Manager Matt Nowlen and Park Supervisor Eric Vlnar will be attending California Park & Recreation Society (CPRS) Maintenance Management School.
 - Currently looking for part-time park maintenance staff (duties include cleaning bathrooms, emptying trash).
 - There will be a community input meeting onsite at **City View Skate Park**, 1101 West Redline Ave., **Tuesday, October 29 at 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM** to discuss the expansion and feasibility of a new skate park design and layout. ARPD will be teaming with American Ramp Company. Join us!
 - A survey regarding **City View Skate Park** design will go live on Tuesday, October 15 and close November 3. The survey will be available to the community via social media, the city website, and signage will be posted with QR codes linked to the survey.

Golf Course Construction:

- Three Week Look Forward on North Course
 - Installation of lateral lines and shaping on hole 12.

- Sodding on hole 12.
- Sprigging fescue on holes 13, 14, 16 and 17
- Sprigging greens and fescue area on holes 12, 13 and 18.
- Shaping work and sodding on hole 15.
- Sprigging green on hole 15.
- There were 10 loads of import last week.