

# RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

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Item 3-B Written Communication Submitted by  
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Regarding Alameda Recreation and Parks

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Dear Alameda Recreation and Parks Commissioners:

Recently our AHS class of January, 1962, the last midterm class graduating from AHS, held our 59<sup>th</sup> class reunion via Zoom. Although there are more classmates, eighteen were able to attend that day. It was so nice to “see” everyone!

The informal conversations ultimately lead to reminiscences of our wonderful childhood spent in safe and friendly Alameda. One classmate mentioned his special memories of the super recreation programs held in the clean and well- maintained parks. Many more of us chimed in with equally similar warm thoughts: sports programs, crafts with the longtime, friendly and helpful Director, Bea Rowney, and the affordable, enjoyable learning we had in the Alameda Parks.

Our use of these parks encompassed the years 1950-1962, since many of us attended Alameda schools from Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade together. It was a great place in which to live!

We understand from some who are lifelong residents that Alameda is still a fine residential community!

We are planning (pandemic allowing...) to celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> AHS Reunion in person in Alameda next spring. Who knows, we may even be able to enjoy it in one of Alameda’s still wonderful parks!

Thank you for continuing to look after the interests, well-being, and safety of Alamedans, young and old. Programs and parks are such a vital part of a city. Alameda’s are among the best!

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