

**ALAMEDA GOLF COMMISSION
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING**

Tuesday, February 11, 2026

1 CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Lily Boris called the special meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. in Room 360, City Hall, 2263 Santa Clara Ave, Alameda, CA 94501

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Lily Boris, Commissioner Hamill Serrant,
Commissioner Clifford Tong
Absent: Chair Lynn Jones
Staff: Recreation and Parks Director Justin Long, Recreation and Parks
Assistant Director Matt Nowlen

2 NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3 COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

None

4 MINUTES

4-A Minutes of October 28, 2025, were approved unanimously.

5 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

5-A Facility and Renovation Report by Greenway Golf

No report was given by a representative (in-person or online).

5-B Jim's on the Course Restaurant Report

Tom Geanekos, Owner, reported that large umbrellas and seating were added to the front patio. Plexiglass wind barriers are being considered. Serious plumbing issues (cost: \$15,000) have been resolved. Commented on the summer menu, social media presence, and customer satisfaction for both non-golfers and golfers. Commissioner Tong inquired about the wind barriers and Mr. Geanekos replied they have had complaints about the wind from clientele.

5-C Recreation and Parks Director Report

Director Long gave the Director Report (attached).

5-D Review and Comment on the Corica Park South Course Proposed Rate Increases

Public Comment

Speaker Pete Pizzino: Commented on rates and comparisons between Monarch Bay, Metropolitan, and Greenway golf courses.

Commissioner Comment

Commissioner Boris: Agreed with fellow commissioners that fees should reflect the community and offer incentives to encourage participation. Commented on current youth pricing being too high, potentially limiting access, and noted more affordable rates were available in the past. Asked if changing contract rates allows the City to request supporting data or revisit other terms. Director Long stated that fee increases are built into the long-term contract and do not change it.

Commissioner Serrant: Noted that he utilized the Green Tee program but transitioned to Monarch Bay due to overall value. Acknowledged that the course is in good condition but has not conducted enough analysis of the fee structure to form a definitive position. Concerned that some costs are high and suggested discounts or membership options to encourage regular use.

Commissioner Tong: Agreed with public comment that Corica Park rates are not in line and competitive with surrounding community. Does not approve of proposed rates. Added that without financial or usage data from Greenway, it cannot be determined whether the rates are justified and reliance is on comparisons with other courses in a competitive market.

6 NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS – March 10, 2026

**Facility and Renovation Report by Greenway Golf
Jim's on the Course Restaurant Report
Recreation and Parks Director Report**

7 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Tong motioned to adjourn the meeting.

M/S Commissioner Tong / Commissioner Serrant. All present in favor with three ayes.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:58 p.m.

02/12/2026 ARPD Director's Report

Presented by Recreation and Parks Director Justin Long

Upcoming Citywide Community Events:

- **Monthly Coastal Cleanup**, Saturdays, **Feb. 14 & March 14**, 10:00 AM, Seaplane Lagoon. Bring gloves and a bucket or bag. Organized by Community Action for a Sustainable Alameda (CASA)
- **City of Alameda Winter Warming Shelters** are open 6:00 PM–7:00 AM **through April 30, 2026** at various locations throughout the City. Services include showers, dinner, breakfast, and case management. More information is available on the City website under Housing and Human Services.
- **Storytelling & Drumming Festival**, Sat., **March 14**, 12:00 PM–3:30 PM, Mastick Senior Center. Join us for music, stories, puppetry, and crafts. All ages welcome!
- **Spring Shindig**, Sat., **April 18**, AP Gym. Save the date for this special community event in celebration of Earth Day!

Upcoming Recreation Events and Activities:

- The Teen Center will host **Kids Night In** – Valentine's Day Edition for children ages 5 to 11, presented by the Alameda Youth Committee. 5pm-9pm
- **Presidents' Day**, Mon., **Feb. 16**. City observed holiday.
- On February 18, Community Recreation will host Crafts and Games at Jean Sweeney Open Space Park from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Summer is just around the corner, and the **Summer 2026 Activity Guide** will be available soon. Registration for summer programs begins Wed., **Feb. 18**.
- Friends of the Parks -Dine and Donate fundraiser March 5th, Saltbreaker 10% of proceeds will be donated.

Project Updates:

- Estuary Park – under construction by end of 2026
- Sweeney Park Trail Connectors construction starts February 23, 2026
- Alameda Aquatic Center – Bidding starts end of February
- City View Skate Park – 100% design complete

Recreation Highlights:

- The **Annual Rose Pruning** held on Sat., Jan. 17 was a wonderful success with 50 people in attendance. We sincerely appreciate the East Bay Rose Society for their dedication and care of the rose garden at Lincoln Park.
- Over 150 party goers attended the **4th Annual Family Snowball Dance Party** on Fri., Feb. 6 at the O' Club. Everyone had a wonderful time at this beloved community event!

Aquatics (Encinal Swim Center):

- **Swim Lessons for all ages!** Registration is open for Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced classes! Swim sessions are offered on Sundays, visit our website for details.

Youth:

- The following camps are just a few that will be offered during Presidents' Week (AUSD non-school days): Cooking Explorers, Mad Science, Intro to Basketball, and Martial Arts. Visit our website to learn more!

Tween/Teen:

- **Teens Teaching Technology**, Thursday, **Feb. 26**, 4:00 PM, Mastick Senior Center. Teens assist seniors with their electric devices (smartphones, tablets, laptops).
- ARPD facilitates the **Queer Teen Alameda Center (QTAC) Program** (6th-12th grade) at the Underground Teen Center, Vet's Building, **Fridays**, 6:00PM. (alamedapride.com)

Sports:

Youth Programs

- **After-School Pickleball** for middle school aged kids, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 4:00 PM-5:30 PM, AP Gym.
- **Homeschool P.E.**, Wednesdays & Fridays, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, AP Gym.
- **President's week camps**

Adult Programs

- **Open Gym** continues Sundays, 6:00 PM-10:00 PM, AP Gym. Practice your skills or enjoy some friendly competition. Drop-ins welcome.
- **Tennis** – Private and group sessions available
- **Pickleball** – Drop-ins on Fridays, 9:30 AM-12:00 PM, AP Gym

Mastick Programs & Information:

- The **AARP Tax-Aide Program** phonenumber is open! Call 510-747-7501 to reserve an appointment. Leave ONE message with your contact info and a volunteer will return your call. Appointments are scheduled by phone only. Mastick Staff cannot assist in any tax matters.
- **Stonestown Shopping**, Fri., **Feb. 20**, 9:30 AM–4:30 PM. Members will take a fun trip to the beloved and bustling Stonestown Mall in San Francisco.
- **Mastick Thrift Shop Bag Sale!** Sat., **Feb. 21**, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM, Social Hall. Fill two bags of clothes and shoes for \$5!
- **Multimedia Art Reception**, Tues., **March 10**, 11:00 AM. Join us in the Mastick Lobby to see and celebrate artwork created by the Mastick community.

Mastick Highlights:

- Mastick Staff participated in a podcast run by 4th & 5th grade students at Love Elementary School. They discussed how meaningful social connections support well-being, and how Mastick creates opportunities for individuals to connect, build friendships, and feel a sense of belonging.

Leisure Club Program Highlights:

- On Thurs., **Feb. 26**, members will celebrate Chinese New Year with a delicious dinner at China Villa Restaurant on Bay Farm Island.

Parks:

- On Jan. 22, Park Maintenance Staff assisted the City's Housing and Human Services team by participating in the annual PIT (Point-in-Time) Count, a citywide survey that estimates how many people are experiencing homelessness. Staff counted individuals during the early morning hours to support an accurate count.
- Park Maintenance Staff hauled 10 loads of debris from the shoreline along Veterans Court on Bay Farm Island, the Encinal Boat Ramp, and Encinal Beach. Cleanup activities were conducted in response to January storms and King Tide conditions. Elevated water levels and increased waves caused localized flooding and debris accumulation.

- In mid-December, the existing turf grass on the hillside along the Buena Vista Ave. side of the park was removed and replaced with drought-tolerant plants and mulch. At the same time, the landscape irrigation system was converted from pop-up spray heads to a low-volume drip irrigation system. This will significantly improve irrigation efficiency, minimize overspray and runoff, and support water delivery to the plant roots.

Staff Recognition:

Congratulations to **Katherine Frazier** on her promotion from Maintenance Assistant II to Gardener! Katherine holds a degree in Broadcast and Communication from San Francisco State University and brings dedication, versatility, and a strong work ethic. We're excited to see her grow in this new role and are happy to have her on the team.

Congratulations to **Raymond Rivera** on his promotion from Maintenance Worker I to Maintenance Worker II! Raymond is highly motivated, takes great pride in his work, and brings a genuine appreciation for the parks in everything he does. He enjoys the parks not only as an employee, but also as a park user, often visiting with his 5-year-old son. We're grateful to have him on the team!