



## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING April 24, 2023 – 4:00 PM, La Jolla Riford Library | In-person

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**Directors Present:** Patrick Ahern, Tom Brady, Alexandra Corsi (arrived 4:11 pm), Barbara Dunbar, Bob Evans, Brenda Fake, Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, John Leek, Melinda Merryweather, Sally Miller (arrived 4:05 pm), Phyllis Minick, Jane Reldan, Tim Seery, and John Shannon.

**Directors Absent:** Ann Parode Dynes (excused).

**Signed-In Guests:** Kurt Hoffman, Andrew Perry, Nancy Martin, Robert Butterfield, Bill Robbins, Debbie Adams

**Others Present:** Steven Hadley, Ashley Mackin-Solomon, Robyn Davidoff

Verification of Quorum, Call Meeting to Order: President Bob Evans declared a quorum of 13 Directors to be present, called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m., and welcomed all attendees. Quorum 14/16 at 4:05 p.m.; quorum 15/16 at 4:11 p.m.

### Approval of the Agenda

The agenda for the April 24, 2023, meeting was approved unanimously (13-0-0).

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 27, 2023, meeting were approved unanimously (14-0-0).

### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Tim Seery presented the financial report for February 2023.

Following discussion, the February 2023 report was approved unanimously (14-0-0).

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### President's Report – Bob Evans

The main event of the La Jolla Concours d'Elegance Luxury and Classic Car Show took place at Scripps Park on Sunday April 23 and was a well-attended success. It is the primary fundraiser for the La Jolla Historical Society. [Founded in 1964, the La Jolla Historical Society collects, preserves, and presents the heritage of the community for the educational benefit of current and future citizens and visitors.]

### Report from Councilmember LaCava's Office – Steven Hadley

Mr. Hadley updated the group regarding patching, resurfacing, and re-striping of various La Jolla streets which are scheduled to be completed before Memorial Day. Meeting attendee Bill Robbins reported removal of the orange plastic fencing that surrounded the swampy area adjacent to the Scrips Park restrooms and the start of the La Jolla Cove Pavilion Repair Project to address plumbing and drainage issues. The contractor has 39 working days to complete the project and finish prior to Memorial Day weekend.

### Non-agenda Public Comments

Mr. Robbins noted various "I Love a Clean San Diego" clean-up projects that took place in La Jolla on April 22 (Earth Day) including one at Windansea beach by dedicated volunteers. He reported that the La Jolla Cove Swim Club would be cleaning up Scripps Park at a future date. Debbie Adams organized 22 volunteers for the Earth Day bike path clean up at the south end between Camino de la Costa and La Canada which followed the City's efforts to cut down head-high weeds. Ms. Adams' group cleared and removed 2,500 lbs of dry brush. "I Love A Clean San Diego" provided a dumpster for collecting the brush and debris. Ms. Adams will be posting updates regarding future bike path clean-up projects and is applying for a new Right-Of-Entry (ROE) permit. Andrew Perry lamented the poor condition of the grass at Kellogg Park and was directed to speak with the La Jolla Shores Associations since Kellogg Park is within their jurisdictional boundary.



Brenda Fake commented in favor of the proposal to establish a La Jolla Park Coastal Historic District as presented by Seonaid McArthur, La Jolla Historical Society, La Jolla Landmark Group, at the LJPB March 27 meeting and lauded the professional efforts and extensive research and work done to prepare the application. She noted concerns that the historical designation efforts might be undermined by a single-interest group. Several other individuals spoke in favor of establishing a La Jolla Park Coastal Historic District. John Shannon suggested re-seeding park grass areas where needed and widening walkways for better public access. Clean ups at additional beaches and coastal areas took place on April 22.

### **Information, Discussion Items and Working Group Updates**

1. Coast Blvd White Fence – Mr. Evans, Ms. Fake, and Ms. Cosi met with the City Transportation Department and Mr. Hadley to review the scope of work covered by a Right of Entry permit including fence repairs, minor replacements and fixes, and painting with white paint. The plan is to work one at a time on small sections of the fencing from the north end of Scripps Parks down to the Children's Pool to create the least disruption.
2. LJPB Projects and Development Workshop – Mr. Evans and Ms. Fake announced the closed session LJPB Projects and Development Workshop was scheduled [date changed to Tuesday 6/6/23] for 1:30-5 pm at Riford Library Community room to discuss various proposed projects. The Directors' workshop would be followed at a later date by a charette that would be open to the public for general input.
3. Maintenance of Children's Pool Working Group – no report
4. Bird Rock Neighborhood Parks – Ms. Dunbar reported minimal new erosion at La Jolla Hermosa Park.
5. Coast Walk Trail – Ms. Fake discussed the permitting process, ongoing repairs, and the weed problem. The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Coast Walk Trail Weed Pulling Party is scheduled for April 29 from 9 am – noon.
6. Windansea Barrier Project #0666879 – Melinda Merryweather reported that the project is scheduled to be heard at the June California Coastal Commission meeting.
7. The palm frond roof thatching at the Windansea shack is underway. Recent off-shore activities included a paddle-out memorial service.
8. Point La Jolla Management Plan – Steven Hadley, representative for San Diego Council District 1 Councilmember Joe LaCava, updated attendees about the City's proposed Point La Jolla Management Plan and the process for approval. Point La Jolla, a rocky promontory between the Cove beach and Boomer Beach used by sea lions, is scheduled for a seasonal closure (May 1 – October 1) and then a permanent closure year-round after Oct. 1. The year-round closure plan is preferred by the California Coastal Commission as long as ocean access is maintained. Access to Boomer Beach via a delineated pathway will remain open. There is more information about the plan on the City's website.

There was extensive discussion following the report and many LJPB Directors expressed suggestions and concerns about the closure and the long-term effects on beach and ocean access in the vicinity, ecology, pinniped populations, and environmental impacts. Additional comments and opinions were received from members of the public. The deteriorating condition of Scripps Park and surrounding waters and loss of recreational opportunities were noted. Discussions had to be halted due to the scheduled Memorial for Chuck Nicklin (pioneering underwater diver and Emmy award winning cinematographer and photographer) at 6:00 pm in the Riford Library Community Room.

Adjournment The motion to adjourn at 5:48 p.m. to the May 22, 2023, regular meeting at 4 p.m. at the La Jolla Riford Library was unanimously approved (15-0-0). Minutes taken by Ms. Dunbar.