



## LJP&B MEETING MINUTES

**February 24, 2025 – 4 pm**, La Jolla Riford Library Community Room, 7555 Draper Ave., La Jolla CA 92037

**Directors Present:** Patrick Ahern, Tom Brady (dep. 5:18 pm), Alexandra Corsi (dep. 6:02 pm), Barbara Dunbar (Secretary), Chas. Dye, Ann Parode Dynes (dep. 5:58 pm), Bob Evans (President), Brenda Fake, Ken Hunrichs, Marie Hunrichs, Diane Kane, Stephanie Kelly, Melinda Merryweather, Sally Miller, Phyllis Minick, John Shannon (Vice President), Peter Wulff

**Directors Absent/Excused:** Tim Seery (Treasurer)

**Guests Signed-In:** Emily Lynch, Fatima Marciel, Mary Soriano, Patti Garay, Dorothy Herman, John Leek, Jean Spence

**Guests Present:** Ashley Mackin-Solomon, Seonaid McArthur, Debbie Adams

### Verification of Quorum, Call Meeting to Order:

President Bob Evans declared a quorum of 15/18 Directors, called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm, and welcomed attendees. Quorum 17/18 at 4:06 p.m. Quorum 16/18 at 5:18 p.m. Quorum 15/18 at 5:58 pm. Quorum 14/18 at 6:02 pm.

### Approval of the Meeting Agenda:

**The agenda for the February 24, 2025, meeting was approved unanimously. (17-0-0)**

### Approval of Minutes of Meeting of January 24, 2025, LJP&B Meeting:

**The minutes of the January 24, 2025, LJP&B meeting were approved with KH & MH abstentions. (15-0-2)**

### Approval of January 2025 Treasurer's Financial Reports –

Directors were sent reconciled the January 2025 LJP&B Financial Statements to review.

**The January 2025 LJPB Financial Report was approved unanimously. (17-0-0)**

Report from Councilmember LaCava's Office – Emily Lynch, Community Representative for the Office of San Diego City District 1 Councilmember Joe LaCava, announced that Council President LaCava's Town Hall budget meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2025, at the La Jolla Recreation Center from 5:30-6:30 pm. A final March 19 Town Hall budget meeting will be at Pacific Highlands Ranch Library. Ms. Lynch was asked about the status of a code enforcement issue at Little St., the Princess St. access project, the CIP Camino de la Costa beach access replacement stairs project, and the south Casa beach access stairs project. An update was requested about high permit fees for maintenance work and improvements being done on City property and funded by private non-profits for projects that the City cannot afford to do itself.

Report from the Mayor's Office - Fatima Maciel, Community Representative, Office of Mayor Todd Gloria, discussed proposals to reduce the City budget deficit including consolidation of departments and elimination of duplicative efforts. Discussion ensued about increased fees, actual and estimated budget and operating expense deficit amounts, and other concerns. Ms. Dynes asked about City website updates. The City is hosting a District 1 open house trash services meeting on March 10, 5:30-7 pm, at the Pacific Highlands Ranch Library. Additional comments were made about elimination of the COO, infrastructure re-configuration, and the budget.

President's Report – LJPB President Bob Evans welcomed the seven Directors elected in January 2025 including new Directors Chas. Dye and Peter Wulff and re-elected Directors Ann Dynes, Brenda Fake, Marie Hunrichs, Melinda Merryweather, and Tim Seery. He outlined the LJPB accomplishments for 2024.

Jan. 2024 - Seven elected Directors included two new Directors, Diane Kane and Stephanie Kelley, and five re-elected Directors, Tom Brady, Alexandra Corsi, Bob Evans, Ken Hunrichs, and Sally Miller.

Feb. 2024 – The Scripps Park Picnic Grove II project began. A sidewalk vending ordinance was passed.

Mar. 2024 – The Coast Blvd Scripps Park Sidewalk Expansion Project feasibility study was funded by the City.

Apr. 2024 - Bottom Scratchers received a Right of Entry permit, Scripps Picnic Grove II plans were approved.

May 2024 - The La Jolla Historical District was added to the National Register. Bottom Scratcher plaques were installed.



- June 2024 – The La Jolla Historical District Assessment Report was submitted to the City including examples of deteriorate conditions. Illegal park and sidewalk vendors were noticeably reduced. The new LJPB website was activated with improved content, navigation, and ability to make donations. Projects were added to the CIP list.
- July 2024 – Windansea Project DSD permit fees were paid. Questions were raised about high permit fee costs paid from private donations for projects which benefit the public and are restoring and maintaining City owned property which the City is unable to do due to lack of funds. Councilmember LaCava (CD1) discussed the sea lion situation, promising to keep the Cove beach area stairs open to human access.
- Aug. 2024 – A La Jolla Coastal Historical District walking inspection with City Parks and Recreation Director Andy Field was productive and resulted in promised repair work and approval to add donor plaques.
- Sep. 2024 – The La Jolla Cove Access Working Group was formed.
- Oct. 2024 – Railings at the Children's Pool Sea Wall were repaired; coastline white wooden fencing was re-painted by the City.
- Nov. 2024 – The successful La Jolla Park Coastal Historical District event raised donated funds for plaques and other projects within the historic district. Attendees included Congressman Scott Peters, Mayor Todd Gloria, and District 1 Councilmember Joe LaCava in addition to donors, volunteers, and a number of other important people. Parks and Recreation Dept. projects and maintenance work were initiated including brush clearance, tree and bush trimming, and wooden fence repairs and painting.
- Dec. 2024 – Substantial Parks and Recreation Dept. maintenance was performed at Bird Rock neighborhood parks from Oct. through Dec. The Windansea Barrier Project replacement belvedere plans are on track. President Evans announced a closed Special Director-only Meeting to follow the regular meeting on March 24 for discussion of voting policies and procedures and another item.

#### Non-agenda and Public Comments—issues not on the agenda within the LJP&B jurisdiction

Brenda Fake noted that some additional coastal fencing needs to be painted or re-painted white.

Patti Garay from the "Save the La Jolla Bike Path" coalition announced that on Feb. 14 AT&T had withdrawn its application to the City for a 30 foot tall cell tower with 9 antennae and walled compound to be located in the middle of a large heavily used open space/scenic natural habitat along the Fay Avenue Bike Path.

Tom Brady thanked Bob Evans for his efforts as LJPB president.

Mary Soriano gave an update on La Jolla Town Council's project to report potholes throughout La Jolla and other LJTC events. They nominated Diane Kane for California State Senator Blakespear's "Women Who Inspire Us With Their Extraordinary Achievements, Service and Contributions to the Community" honor.

#### Action Items

1. Chas. Dye presented a proposal to form a La Jolla Park Coastal Historic District Walking Tour working group for a proposed project to create 1) strategically located signage from Coast Walk Trail south to Whale View Point to highlight or identify La Jolla coastal areas, 2) maps with beach names, points of interest, restroom locations, and walking times, 3) information displays with historic facts, points of interest, and shoreline and intertidal fauna and flora descriptions. Following extensive discussion about the proposal and information about a similar existing La Jolla Historical Society project, Mr. Dye agreed to work with La Jolla Historical Society representatives to refine his proposal for discussion at a future LJP&B meeting.
2. Debbie Adams requested payment of the San Diego Mulch invoice from the Fay Avenue Bike Path account. **The motion to pay \$570 to San Diego Mulch from the LJPB Fay Avenue Bike Path restricted account for mulch that was added along the bike path was approved unanimously (16-0-0).**

#### Working Group Updates

3. Scripps Park Picnic Grove II Working Group – Alexandra Corsi reported that the approved Scripps Park Picnic Grove II Right of Entry (ROE) permit included repair work for the GraniteCrete in Picnic Grove I. A meeting with the Concours d'Elegance organizers regarding construction timelines resulted in a workable solution to potential construction site conflicts. Repair of the GraniteCrete in Picnic Grove I is scheduled to take place from March 10 to April 10. The Picnic Grove II project is scheduled to start after the summer moratorium, and funding needs to be secured.



4. La Jolla Park Historic District – Seonaid McArthur reported that the permit process for work to restore the access stairs at Whale View Point is moving towards approval.
5. Windansea Barrier Project (#0666879) - Windansea Barrier/ Erosion Control and Belvedere – no report
6. La Jolla Cove Access Work Group – Chair Patrick Ahern noted that the La Jolla Cove Access Work have an upcoming initial organizational meeting to establish the process the group will use. The intention is to engage a number of groups, individuals, and stakeholders as part of the process.
7. Fay Ave Bike Path – no update
8. Bird Rock Parks – due to the length of the meeting and late hour, no update was presented
9. Coast Walk Trail – Brenda Fake announced that the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Coast Walk Trail weed-pulling party would be on April 5, 2025, from 10 am – 1 pm starting at Goldfish Point (1325 Coast Blvd).

#### Announcements

The next La Jolla Parks and Beaches meeting is scheduled for 4 pm on March 24 at the La Jolla Riford Library. A closed Directors-only Special La Jolla Parks and Beaches meeting will follow the regular meeting. Additional donations are needed for projects.

#### Adjournment

**The motion to adjourn at 6:06 pm to the March 24, 2025, meeting at 4 pm at the La Jolla Riford Library, 7555 Draper Ave. was unanimously approved (14-0-0).**

Minutes by Barbara Dunbar