



**CITY OF MORRO BAY
RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION
AGENDA**

The City of Morro Bay provides essential public services and infrastructure to maintain a safe, clean and healthy place for residents and visitors to live, work and play.

**Notice of Regular Meeting
May 20, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Held Via Teleconference**

Chairperson – Kevin Carroll

Vice-Chairperson Mike Espino
Robert Swain

Melissa Davis
Drew Sidaris

ESTABLISH QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS

MORRO BAY SENIOR CITIZENS, INC. LIAISON REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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A. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A-1 Recreation Services Division Status Report**
Staff Recommendation: Receive and file.

B. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

- C-1 Staff Report – Proposition 68 Update**
Staff Recommendation: Receive and file
- C-2 Staff Report – Update on COVID-19 Pandemic and Recreation Services**
Staff Recommendation: Receive and file
- C-3 Staff Report – Discussion of Aquatic Activities**

D. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

E. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next regular Recreation and Parks Commission meeting at 6 p.m. **Thursday, July 15, 2021**, via teleconference.

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AGENDA NO: A-1

MEETING DATE: May 20, 2021

STATUS REPORT

TO: Recreation and Parks Commission

DATE: May 13, 2021

FROM: Recreation Services Division Staff

SUBJECT: Recreation Services Division Status Report

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Commission review the Status Report and accept for file.

SUMMARY:

The following is a brief review of the status of current Recreation Division projects and programs.

ADMINISTRATION

As we begin to move out of the COVID-19 restrictions, interest and demand are already here for activity classes, sports, and use of City property. We have received numerous requests for facility, beach, and park use for weddings, parties, sports activities, and other special events and are struggling to keep up due to a lack of staff. Though the City is not ready to open buildings due to COVID restrictions, outdoor activity requests are being reviewed and forwarded to our Public Works office for issuance of a Blanket Encroachment Permit which allows businesses to operate on City property free of charge. Once COVID restrictions are lifted, some of these businesses will move to the Recreation Services office for continued offering while some may choose to go elsewhere.

After a long absence from the office due to layoff, Recreation Services is happy to bring back our part-time Senior Program Coordinator Brady Lock. Brady will be working with MBSCI on reopening the center and reinstating classes, activities, and events.

City Website/Recreation and Parks Pages/Facebook/Instagram

Staff continues to add content and update web pages as needed, including calendar items such as program sign-up dates. The department uses the City's Facebook and Instagram page to announce program registration, upcoming events, and other important and interesting information as it arises.

Community Activity Guide

Our guide has been put on hold due to lack of staff and program content.

Park Development

Our Bocce Ball/Greenhouse project has been put on hold due to the pandemic and the City's financial state.

Staff met with other City officials to resurrect the grant application offered by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation. Discussion took place and new tasks assigned. An updated application will be submitted sometime this year to the State for funds to replace the restroom at Coleman Park.

Additional grants funds are available through a different State Parks fund called the Rural Recreation and Tourism Program. Staff will be working to determine projects and will present to RPC for discussion soon.

Adult Softball League

Staff is in discussion with City administration to secure funding for staff and equipment to launch this program in the summer of 2021.

Aquatics Programs

Fortunately, we have been able to keep our aquatics programs up and running during the pandemic with safety modifications.

Our current schedule, with COVID modifications, is: Lap Swim, MW, 5:40-7:50 AM, M-F 11:30 AM - 1:55 PM, and Sundays 11:00 AM - 2:15 PM; Aqua Aerobics, M-F 11:30 AM -12:15 PM; and private and Semi-private swim lessons upon arrangement M-F 12:20-2:00 PM and Sundays 11:00 AM -2:15 PM. We recently added a new program, Masters' Swim, which is a coached workout MW 6:30 – 7:30 AM.

Another exciting note, our Aquatics Coordinator, Katie Tucker, is working with SLCUSD and MBHS to offer a Career Technical Education class. This class is part of the safety series track where Mrs. Tucker will be training a dozen or so high schoolers in Red Cross Lifeguarding.

Estero Bay Girls Softball

Due to a lack of staff, our girls' softball program was absorbed by SLO Girls Softball Association this season. We hope to be fully staffed and ready to offer this program next spring.

Estero Bay Youth Basketball

Staff is in discussion with City administration to secure funding for staff and equipment to launch this program in the winter of 2021.

Morro Bay Junior Lifeguards

As was done in 2020, we are planning to offer our 2021 JG program COVID style. Our program coordinator will be working remotely to prepare for a mid-June launch. We have interviewed, hired, and just completed 70 hours of training of our beach lifeguard staff are in the process of ordering much needed equipment for the program.

Estero Bay Youth Futsal

Due to lack of staff, we do not anticipate being able to launch this outdoor activity this year so will put on hold until further notice.

Brian Waterbury Memorial Rock to Pier Run

2021 has been cancelled due to COVID. Our 2022 event may need to be contracted out as this was an

event that our Recreation Supervisor position organized. This position is facing a reduction to ¾ time limiting our ability to offer programs.

Morro Bay Seniors

As of mid-March 2020, the center has been closed. Fortunately, Recreation Services was able to pick up the static medical equipment loaning program which, as a surprise to me, is very popular with at least one medical item coming in our going out daily! Senior exercise classes have found a way to continue and have been popular – Stretching and Balance, Bocce Ball, Walking, Tai Chi, and Pickleball.

With the recent rehire of our Senior Program Coordinator, Brady Lock, we look forward to the opening of the center and the return of our programs, classes, and events. In Brady's first days he has contacted all the activity leaders to assess their willingness to restart their programs. It is great news to hear all of them are excited about getting back to their passions and meeting old friends again. In addition, we were able to confirm that the Cuesta Emeritus program will again bring their very popular classes to the Senior Center upon reopening.

Kids' Club Children's Center/Kids' Camp

The SLCUSD returned to in-person Instruction in March of 2021. The students were assigned an AM or PM cohort with their teachers Monday through Thursday and Virtual Learning on Fridays. This schedule left working families with a huge need for childcare. Typically, students attend school between the hours of 8:00AM and 3:00PM and now are attending half days only. After discussions with the SLCUSD and Del Mar Elementary staff we agreed to return to Del Mar campus and provide childcare for Del Mar students only.

As of March 3rd, our Kids' Club program has moved back on Del Mar Campus. We currently occupy three different classrooms on campus and provide care/support for 60 families. Our hours are 7:00AM to 5:30 PM Monday through Friday. Monday through Thursday we assist our students with their independent learning while also providing healthy and safe activities. Fridays, we assist our students with their morning Zoom lesson as well as their independent learning.

We are still able to support the families with funding from SLCUSD and that has been secured until June when the school year ends.

Rockies – The Morro Bay Teen Center and Skate Park

The Teen Center closed in mid-March 2020 due to COVID and has remained closed.



AGENDA NO: C-1

MEETING DATE: May 20, 2021

STAFF REPORT

TO: Recreation and Parks Commission

DATE: May 13, 2021

FROM: Kirk Carmichael, Recreation Services Manager

SUBJECT: Update on Prop 68 - Per Capita Program

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission review and accept the report for file.

BACKGROUND, DISCUSSION & CONCLUSION:

Recreation Services Manager will be presenting an oral update of recent activities, if any. This is a standing staff report agenda item.



AGENDA NO: C-2

MEETING DATE: May 20, 2021

STAFF REPORT

TO: Recreation and Parks Commission

DATE: May 13, 2021

FROM: Kirk Carmichael, Recreation Services Manager

SUBJECT: Update on COVID – 19 Pandemic and Recreation Services

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission review and accept the report for file.

BACKGROUND, DISCUSSION & CONCLUSION:

Recreation Services Manager will be presenting an oral update of recent activities, if any. This is a standing staff report agenda item.



AGENDA NO: C-3

MEETING DATE: May 20, 2021

STAFF REPORT

TO: Recreation and Parks Commission

DATE: May 13, 2021

FROM: Kirk Carmichael, Recreation Services Manager

SUBJECT: Discussion on Aquatics Activities

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Commission review the report, discuss, and provide feedback.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Aquatics has been an integral part of the MB Recreation Services Division (Recreation and Parks years ago) for many years. Along with our popular Junior Lifeguard program that began in 1992, we have offered a swim program at the MBHS back in the early 1980's through mid-1990's. Most recently, Measure D has funded many on campus projects including a new Aquatics Center. Fortunately, the community and City were behind the push for a new pool and have an agreement with SLCUSD which allows the City to provide aquatic programs for the community.

Following is a listing of the aquatic related activities that Morro Bay Recreation Services currently provides:

Junior Lifeguards

Beach program - four 2-week sessions, four hours per day, for participants 9-15 years old.

Junior Guard Boot Camp - one weeklong session, four hours per day, designed for our JG volunteers to prepare them for the summer program, for participants 15-16 years old.

JG Pre-Season Pool Program - two classes of four Sundays each, one hour per day, all ages if meet swim qualifier.

Pool

Lap Swimming - MW, 5:40-7:50AM; M-F, 11:30AM-1:55PM; Sunday, 11:00AM-2:15PM.

Aqua Aerobics - M-F, 11:30AM-12:15PM.

Swim Lessons - private and semi-private, M-F, 12:20-2:00PM.

Masters' Swimming - coached workout, MW, 6:30-7:30AM.

Diving - this program is under discussion and may launch this summer, specifics TBD.

CONCLUSION:

As we continue to see COVID restrictions lifted, we look forward to adding back our group swim lessons as well as open recreational swim days. We are pleased to offer this robust aquatic program to the visitors and residents of the Estero Bay.

