



MINUTES

Hybrid Meeting

Thursday, December 4, 2025

4:00 PM

***** IN-PERSON WITH REMOTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AVAILABLE*****

*This meeting of the San Mateo County Parks Commission will be held in **The Boards and Commissions Meeting Room, 400 County Center, 1st floor, Redwood City, CA, 94063.** Members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting in person in Redwood City or remotely via the Zoom platform.*

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Roll Call

Present: Chair Rodriguez Mitton, Vice-Chair Manneh, Commissioner Esser

3. Public Comment

4. Action to Set the Agenda and approve the November 6, 2025 meeting minutes

5. Reports and Presentations

5.1 Parks Department Report – Parks Director Nicholas Calderon

Highlights include:

- Don Horsley County Park at Tunitas Creek Beach: Path to mid-bluff and handrails are complete. Final projects include completion of decking at overlook, paving, and installation of EV chargers. Phase I of project anticipated to be complete early 2026. Phase II of project is the landslide repair, anticipated to start in Spring 2026. Projected opening of park is July 2026.
- Flood Park: Construction of playground is progressing. The concrete curbs have been poured and stone is in place. Play equipment is on site and install is anticipated to start in the next week. Projected opening of playground is Spring 2026, dependent on winter weather.
- San Bruno Mountain Day Use Area: Interpretive panels have been installed, pathways are complete, and the construction team is working on punch list items. Final projects include installation of barbecues, garbage cans, serving tables, and concrete picnic tables, as well as hydroseeding the hill. Projected opening of Day Use Area is early 2026.
- Pescadero Creek Park: The forest health and fuel reduction project, a multi-year project in partnership with RCD, wrapped up the first season. The contractor completed 40 acres of understory thinning and mastication. The project will resume early next year, winter weather dependent.

6. Regular Agenda

6.1 San Bruno Mountain Watch Presentation, recipient of 2024 Fish & Game Propagation Fund grant – Executive Director Ariel Cherbowsky Corkidi

Highlights of the San Bruno Mountain rare, threatened, and endangered plant propagation project:

- Focusing on four species of plants: San Bruno campion and three types of manzanita.
- San Bruno campion: seed collection, propagation, and planting. As of this meeting, there are 1800 pots ready for planting. This plant was thought to be gone from the mountain and it was rediscovered in 2016.
- Three species of manzanita: goal is to collect 100 cuttings of each species and test the success of propagating cuttings and outplantings of each species to guide future conservation efforts. This project is underway.

6.2 San Mateo Resource Conservation District Presentation, recipient of 2024 Fish & Game Propagation Fund grant – Jarrad Fisher, Director of Water Resource Programs & Kellyx Nelson, Executive Director

Highlights of the Memorial Park Salmonid Monitoring Project:

- Improve conditions in Pescadero-Butano watershed for steelhead trout and endangered coho salmon, such as removing dams and adding woody debris for shade and places to hide.
- Upgraded PIT antenna, which detect coho and steelhead as they move under the road crossing at Memorial Park. Tells us where they are moving, the numbers, and if fish that go to the ocean return to their natal creek.

6.3 Pescadero Community Plaza Project (Informational)

- In 2022, the County of San Mateo purchased a less than one acre property at the corner of Pescadero Creek Road and Stage Road with the intent of creating a community space.
- The first round of community engagement and steering committee meetings was held in 2024. The community was surveyed about desired experiences, amenities, and style they would like to see in the space. The need for parking, garbage receptacles, and restrooms was communicated.
- Three design concepts were developed and brought forth to the community for a vote and feedback. From this, a preferred concept plan was created, including the addition of a Library Outpost.
- Next steps include finalizing design elements, CEQA review, and securing Coastal Development Permits.

7. Items of Outstanding Business

7.1 Update on Commissioner vacancies

Application deadline is January 9, 2026 for vacancies in DI and DII.

8. Commissioner Updates

8.1 Commissioner report out on information items, subcommittee, or project updates

9. Items for a Future Agenda

- County priorities update
- Welcome & onboarding of new Commissioners
- County diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives
- Partnerships and connections – have representatives of partner organizations provide presentations to the Commission. Discuss which County department may be able to attend.
- Update on sustainability actions for the Parks Department & alignment with action plan for County Office of Sustainability. Regional transportation and active transportation

- Summary of Revitalize Coyote Point survey
- Subcommittee structure and assignments
- Processes to address public comment
- Address technological gaps to ensure accessibility for public attendees and improve participation at in-person and remote meetings.
- Park vendor RFP processes and updates.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:44pm.

County of San Mateo Parks and Recreation Commission

Vacant, District 1 | Vacant, District 2 | Irma Rodriguez Mitton, District 3 (Chair) |

Brooks Esser, District 4 | Basem Manneh (Vice-Chair), District 5

County of San Mateo Parks Department

Nicholas J. Calderon, Parks Director

Scott Lombardi, Parks Superintendent

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