



MINUTES

Hybrid Meeting

Thursday, January 8, 2026

3:30 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 December 4, 2025 meeting minutes

5. Reports and Presentations

None this month

6. Regular Agenda

6.1 Parks Department staffing updates (INFORMATIONAL)

- Nicholas Calderon promoted to Deputy County Executive as of January 5, 2026.
- Introduced Emma Gonzalez, Interim Parks Director.

Winter Storm Update (Scott):

- Proactive work prior to storms included culvert cleaning and fixing roads.
- Currently cleaning up after storms. In Huddart Park, there are approximately 50 downed trees. In Memorial Park, there are a few large downed trees and standing water in the campgrounds; closed campground through January 11.

6.2 Nomination and Election of 2026 Commission Chair and Vice Chair (ACTION)

- Irma Rodriguez Mitton was nominated and elected to serve as Parks Commission Chair for 2026.
- Brooks Esser was nominated and elected to serve as Parks Commission Vice Chair for 2026.

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

Adjourned at 4:25pm.

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, Deputy County Executive

Emma Gonzalez, Interim Parks Director

Scott Lombardi, Parks Superintendent

Tracy Nappi, Administrative Assistant