

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE EL SEGUNDO RECREATION & PARKS
COMMISSION – AQUATICS SUBCOMMITTEE
MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025

CALL TO ORDER – Recreation, Parks, & Library Director Aly Mancini called the meeting to order at 10:02 am

ROLL CALL

Member Baldino	-	Present
Member Cavagnolo	-	Present
Member Davis	-	Present
Member Lormans	-	Present
Member Watson	-	Present

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – (Related to City Business Only – 5-minute limit per person, 30-minute limit total)

Curt Fry, President of South Bay United Water Polo Club, provided public comment requesting an earlier practice time for water polo. He also updated the subcommittee regarding three teams bringing home 3rd place at Kap 7.

Ahmanise Morgan, parent of a South Bay United Water Polo Club participant, provided public comment requesting an earlier practice time for water polo.

Kyla Morgan, a South Bay United Water Polo Club participant, provided public comment requesting an earlier practice time for water polo.

Breanne Carpenter, parent of a South Bay United Water Polo Club participant, provided public comment expressing her belief that the available pool space could be better utilized and advocated for a more intentional allocation of facility time that would allow for earlier practice sessions.

A. CONSENT CALDENDAR:

1. MOTION by Member Watson SECONDED by Member Cavagnolo, approving the Subcommittee Regular Meeting minutes of March 17, 2025, MOTION PASSED.
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B. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. Aquatics Report Review

Member Lormans presented the Aquatics Report Review. Member Watson asked questions regarding lane optimization, potential swap times for water polo

teams, and overall programming. Member Lormans provided additional information.

Member Baldino commented stating that the consultant, Counsilman Hunsaker, is expected to offer guidance that will help improve the efficiency of pool allocation.

3. Plunge Update

City Engineer Cheryl Ebert provided the Plunge Update to the subcommittee and spoke in detail regarding locker room repairs, electrical and plumbing work, water supply systems, and the installation of mechanical and HVAC systems. She also reported a total of 36 change orders, not including the pending tile change order. Subcommittee members asked questions regarding the total change order amount. City Engineer Ebert provided additional information.

Member Davis requested a layout of the pool lanes to be presented at the next meeting.

4. Aquatics Center Maintenance Update

Member Lormans provided a brief update to the subcommittee regarding closure of the pool.

5. Plunge Capital Campaign Update

Member Lormans provided the Plunge Capital Campaign Update. He stated that the Aquatics Department hosted a pop-up booth at the Underwater Extravaganza and Egg Hunt and have plans to participate in additional upcoming events. Member Lormans spoke about the Peek at the Pool initiative which offers an exclusive preview of the facility to donors who contribute \$4,000 or more highlighting that five groups have qualified so far.

Director of Recreation, Parks, and Library Aly Mancini provided a brief update announcing that the campaign has received \$1.8 million in pledges. She mentioned that face-to-face meetings are being scheduled with key stake holders and the mayor. Director Mancini also shared news of a potential collaboration with El Segundo Brewing Company, which will donate a portion of proceeds to the Plunge and noted that a traditional golf tournament fundraiser is being considered.

C. NEW BUSINESS

6. Formation of a Working Group to Reevaluate Success Criteria

Member Lormans spoke about the formation of a working group to reevaluate success criteria. Member Watson commented that she believed this task would fall within the scope of work for the Counsilman Hunsaker consultants. Member Baldino provided additional information.

No action was taken on this item pending input from the consultant.

7. Upcoming Events

Member Lormans spoke about the upcoming Plunge pop-up booth at Hometown Fair and a potential tournament with South Bay United Water Polo Club taking place mid-May.

E. REPORTS

8. DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Director of Recreation, Parks, and Library Aly Mancini stated that she will be working with the city attorney's office to develop bylaws for the subcommittee. She also proposed that committee members be encouraged to suggest items they wish to agendize during their comments and if at least two other members agree the item warrants inclusion, it will be added to the agenda.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

Member Lormans updated the subcommittee that the agreement with Counsilman Hunsaker has been fully executed and a meeting with them is scheduled for the following day. He also thanked Member Lee for his support with the Capital Campaign.

10. MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Watson commented stating that there's work to be done regarding the success criteria and would greatly appreciate if groups could submit their reports on time as it's helpful for staff.

Member Cavagnolo shared his hope that Counsilman Hunsaker will use the ongoing process to inform the allocation decisions, ultimately guiding the recommendations for allocation.

Member Lee thanked the individuals who spoke during public comment and extended his congratulations to South Bay United Water Polo Club for their recent triumph.

Member Baldino also thanked the individuals who provided public comments and mentioned that he recently met with the owner of the parking structure currently being built next door to the Aquatics Center. He plans to follow up in three months for an update.

Adjourned at 11:00 AM

Viviann Gonzalez, Temporary Administrative Specialist