



Library Commission Parks and Recreation Commission

LIBRARY COMMISSION AND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION SPECIAL JOINT MEETING MINUTES

Date: 5/28/2025
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Locations: Teleconference and
Arrillaga Family Recreation Center
700 Alma St., Menlo Park, CA 94025

A. Call To Order

Library Commission Chair Herrick called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Chunyu, Crockett, Grass, Herrick, Lee, Orton, Patel, Sisbot, Sherman, Van Buren, Westcott, Yule,
Absent: Dawkins, Shafer
Staff: Library and Community Services (LCS) Director Sean Reinhart, Assistant LCS Director Nick Szegda, LCS Supervisor Tricia Mullan, Management Analyst Ashley Walker

C. Presentations and Proclamations

C1. Overview of City of Menlo Park fiscal year 2025-26 proposed budget – Library and Community Services department (Staff Report PRC-2024-011 / LC-2024-020)

Director Reinhart introduced the item.

- Allan Bedwell spoke in support of using \$1,000,000 to improve Bedwell-Bayfront Park trails and implement other environmental preservation aspects outlined in the 2017 Master Plan.

The Commissions received clarification on the LCS budget and a timeline for updating the LCS Strategic Plan.

C2. Preview the results of the library, recreation, and parks community survey 2025 (Staff Report PRC-2025-012 / LC-2025-021)

Assistant Director Szegda introduced the item.

- Chris MacIntosh spoke in support of implementing the 2017 Master Plan as it relates to Bedwell-Bayfront Park.

ACTION: By acclamation, the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) added Bedwell-Bayfront Park to their tentative agenda calendar.

The Commissions received clarification on the survey analysis.

D. Informational Items

D1. Library and Community Services Department statistics and recent activities (Staff Report PRC-2025-013 / LC-2025-022)

- Carole Hayworth spoke in support of City funding for the Belle Haven Pool.
- Judith Schwartz spoke in support of City funding for the Belle Haven Pool.
- Juliana Morrow spoke in support of City funding for the Belle Haven Pool.
- Uri Natav spoke in opposition of decreased pool hours.

E. Commissioner Reports

E1. Individual Commissioner reports / Subcommittee reports

The Library of the Future Ad Hoc Committee reported out on progress in putting together a survey and researching other libraries.

The PRC 5k Ad Hoc Committee reported out on potential Spring 2026 date and possible collaborations with Bedwell-Bayfront Park or other running events that are taking place around the same time.

F. Adjournment

Library Commission Chair Herrick adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Management Analyst Ashley Walker