



City of San Leandro

City Hall
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, California

Minutes

Recreation and Parks Commission

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

7:00 PM

City Hall, Surlene Grant Community Room

1. CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

Chair DeQuincy called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present 5 - Peter DeQuincy, Karen Kline, Joseph Mui, James Maes, and Emilio Piñones

Excused 3 - Sidney Davis, Carrie Feng, and Jasmine Moore

Absent 1 - Jessica Bustos

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

On May 4, 2026, Council approved a Motion to Appoint Emilio Piñones to the Recreation and Parks Commission, representing District 3.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.A. [26-181](#) APPROVAL OF APRIL 1, 2026 MINUTES

Attachments: [RPC Draft Minutes 2026-04-01](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Mui, seconded by Commissioner Kline, to approve the April 1, 2026 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Peter DeQuincy, Karen Kline, Joseph Mui, James Maes, Emilio Piñones

Excused: 3 - Sidney Davis, Carrie Feng, Jasmine Moore

Absent: 1 - Jessica Bustos

4. CITY STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In May, the Department hosted a successful Cinco de Mayo Celebration at the Marina Community Center, drawing about 300 attendees. On May 9, the Department partnered with Girls on the Run for a 5K at Marina Park, expected to attract around 2,000 participants. Summer programs continue to fill quickly, with Camps at 63% capacity and Classes at 91%. The Family Aquatic Center reopens May 23, leading into major events including the Cherry Festival and Parade on June 6, the 250th Independence Day Celebration on July 4, and Movie Nights. A co-op partnership with East Bay Regional Parks is also underway.

Several improvements have recently been completed across San Leandro's park system, including the installation of skate deterrents, repurposed metal benches, replacement of wooden benches, and two new BBQ pits near the North restroom at Marina Park. Parks and Urban Forestry celebrated Arbor Day on April 24 by replacing turf with native plants and trees, with fifth-grade students and the Mayor in attendance. Looking ahead, Congresswoman Simon is scheduled to promote \$1 million in funding for the shoreline area on May 7, and the Fitness Court Project remains on track to begin construction, with a grand opening date to be determined.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

An e-comment was made by one person. No public comments were presented.

6. PRESENTATION

6.A. [26-203](#) YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION 2025-2026 TERM REVIEW

Attachments: [Youth Advisory Commission 2025-2026 Term Review](#)

Chair Violet Lau and Secretary Liz Hodgins presented the 2025–2026 Term Review of the Youth Advisory Commission (YAC), a public Commission comprised of students in grades 9–12 who represent the youth of San Leandro. Guided by three core goals, the YAC carries both requirements and meaningful benefits supporting their civic and personal growth. YAC demonstrates a strong commitment to improving engagement through targeted recommendations and measurable milestones, making a tangible community impact with members to reflect the city's geographic diversity.

7. COMMISSION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioners shared their reports regarding the various parks within San Leandro.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Vanessa Piña, Administrative Assistant II