

City of San Diego Park & Recreation Department
Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance Assessment District (TOSMD)
Tierrasanta Open Space Committee
Tierrasanta Recreation Center • 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.
Agenda for 7 pm Wednesday, July 10, 2019 Meeting

The Tierrasanta Open Space Committee is advisory to the City of San Diego Open Space Division on matters related to the Tierrasanta Open Space Maintenance Assessment District. Members: Deanna Spehn (Chair dspehn1@san.rr.com 858-565-4018), Jennifer Schultz, Jerry Bierman, John Hopper, Bob Lang*, Dawn LostrittoNielsen* (Secretary), Russ May, Bob Muldrew, Betty Ogilvie, Mike Ogilvie*, Elvie Plaskota*, Dick Rees, James Sanders, Rich Thesing.

(*Indicates current member of the Tierrasanta Community Council and Planning Group)

City Open Space Staff: Loren Boerboom and Ray Garcia.

Agenda

7 pm Call the meeting to order and establish that a quorum is present

1. Non-agenda public comment. Limited to no more than 2 minutes per subject.
2. Agenda review: addition and/or removal of agenda items.
3. Chair Report – Deanna Spehn: Calling special meeting of the Tierrasanta Community Council, Tierrasanta Recreation Council and Tierrasanta Open Space Committee on Wednesday, August 7th at 6:30 pm to discuss a response to the San Diego Unified School District’s potential intent to withdraw the upper field and tennis courts at Serra High School from an existing Joint Use Agreement. The meeting will occur at the Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

Status of the damage to the Lemonade Berry Grove and remediation efforts by Canyonlands

Status of the Tierrasanta Trails Plan

4. Staff Report – Loren Boerboom – written copies of the verbal report will be available at the meeting and posted on the website.
5. Update by Friends of Tierrasanta Canyons
5. New Business
6. Adjournment. The next meetings are September 4th and November 6th.

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Draft Minutes for Wednesday, May 1, 2019 Meeting

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The meeting was convened at 7:05 pm by Chair Deanna Spehn with the following present: Deanna Spehn, John Hopper, Bob Lang, Dawn Lostritto-Nielsen, Russ May, Bob Muldrew, Betty Ogilvie, Mike Ogilvie, James Sanders and Rich Thesing and City Open Space Staff: Loren Boerboom and Ray Garcia. A quorum was present. Also present was Sheldon Zemen from City Councilmember Scott Sherman's office.

It was moved by Thesing, seconded by Spehn and unanimously approved to add TCC member Bob Lang to the voting members of the Open Space Committee.

1. Non-agenda public comment. Bob Lang reported on the condition of the jogging trail/maintenance road. Loren Boerboom agreed to look at the potential site of repairs in the general area of the trail/maintenance path.
2. Agenda review: Chair Spehn added to the agenda a discussion and potential direction regarding the grove of Lemonade Berry Trees apparently in the process of removing some of the palm trees in Rueda Canyon. There was discussion at the meeting and concern expressed about the status of the trees. A request was submitted by absent TOSMD member Jennifer Schultz that an Arborist immediately investigate the area and assess the damage. Loren Boerboom and Eric Bowlby from Canyonlands will tour the area and it will be at Loren's discretion whether an Arborist will be required to inspect the damage. Jennifer also requested that the use of herbicides along a North Rueda Trail be assessed by City Staff.

Spehn also reported on a meeting held at City Hall with Ray Garcia, Loren Boerboom and Laura Ball regarding the status of the Tierrasanta Trails Plan. Estimates have been received on the tentative costs to implement the plan NOT INCLUDING the actual trail construction costs which could be done by volunteers/City staff/MAD Contract; other method to be determined. The cost could be as little as \$5,000 to \$10,000 for materials or \$50,000 to \$100,000 if the work is all done by contract. However, the estimated FIXED COSTS are as follows (approximately \$400,000 not including actual trail construction costs:

\$25,000	Development Services Department Review/Permitting
\$5,000	Consultant revisions to the Biological and Cultural Reports
\$234,000	Tier One NG Onsite Mitigation
\$87,000	Offsite purchase of 2.4 acres of Cornerstone Lands at \$36,000 per acre

\$50,000 4 Easements (\$10,000 for surveys; \$10,000 for Real Estate Assets Department; \$20,000 for each of the 4 assessments = \$80,000 with cost split between the TOSMD and the Public Utilities Department

3. Staff Report – Loren Boerboom provided written copies of the April Staff Report (see attached). Inspector Boerboom and the committee members carefully reviewed the report. One item prompted a lengthy discussion: the ongoing community interest in a dedicated dog park. The concern is that Vista Grande Elementary School’s joint use fields and the adjacent Villa Monserate Park have a significant amount of dog poop that is potentially a health hazard for children. Inspector Boerboom is in the process of looking at whether the TOSMD contract needs to be modified due the extra labor costs involved with removing the poop from the playing fields, etc. Inspector Boerboom also reported that Treebeard is changing the heads at Serra’s upper field, and recently upgraded the sprinklers at the developed fields at De Portola Middle School.

Inspector Boerboom also reported that he is working closely with the City Arborist regarding tree trimming and safety pruning in the community. The trees in both Villa Norte Park and Roadrunner Park were trimmed in April, and the center island trees on Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

4. Update by Friends of Tierrasanta Canyons: James Sanders reported on the group’s several activities in the community and the upcoming May 11th River Days. The Friends continue to remove palm fronds from the North Rueda Canyon where the palms were removed. The Friends have also been working with Inspector Boerboom on the removal of “temporary” irrigation pipes that were installed by the original developers of the Tierrasanta homes in the 1970s at the direction of the City to assist the initial plantings to get a good start.

5. New Business: none

6. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm. The next meeting is Wednesday, July 10th – one week late due to the 4th of July holiday. Future 2019 meetings are September 4th and November 6th.



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STAFF REPORT

July 10, 2019

JUNE ACTIVITIES IN TIERRASANTA

Landscape Maintenance

- Treebeard continues to provide landscape maintenance services in a timely manner and within budget.
- Joint-Use fields are now on a summer closure schedule. Serra HS was closed for the entire month of June for repairs, upgrades, and field rest. Community Park, De Portola, and Vista Grande will be closed for the month of July. Farb, Kumeyaay, and Tierrasanta Elementary are scheduled for closure the month of August.
- Irrigation heads were changed at Serra HS Joint-Use field. The new, dual nozzle rotors will help provide better irrigation coverage. A few bare areas have had new sod installed and watered in. Low spots in the field were also filled in. This field is heavily used throughout the year. Rest from field activity helps the turf grow. The field will be ready for another busy season of sports.
- Longer, warmer days are here. Many turf areas need constant irrigation adjustment to keep the grass green. All controllers are monitored and adjusted for weather.

Tree Maintenance

- No downed trees to report on City of San Diego land in the Tierrasanta MAD. Pruning and preparation for the recent rainstorms have helped.
- Street tree pruning was performed on Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and Santo Rd. medians and Right-of-Ways.
- Structural and safety tree pruning will resume in a few weeks.
- Many trees were safety pruned in the open space near trails, roads, and fence lines this year. Dead trees were removed from many open space areas as well.
- Look for more tree plantings in medians, rights-of-ways, and open space areas this year.

Open Space Canyons

- Dishwasher Pond water has been maintained at an adequate level. Recent rains have helped to keep it full.
- Friends of Tierrasanta continue their weekly cleanup. Old, unused irrigation pipe removal is now taking place in Rueda Canyon.
- Palm fronds from the helicopter removal project have been collected from the canyon by the Friends of Tierrasanta and moved to locations along the trail. This effort took several days of volunteer events over the past few months. The frond piles will soon be removed by WCA, the tree contractor.

Miscellaneous

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June, 2019

**NOTE FROM TOSMD COMMITTEE CHAIR: THIS DOCUMENT
WAS EMAILED TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS & THE EMAIL LIST
BECAUSE THE TOSMD DOES NOT MEET IN JUNE**

MAY ACTIVITIES IN TIERRASANTA

Landscape Maintenance

- Treebeard continues to provide landscape maintenance services in a timely manner and within budget.
- Mulch has been added to planter beds in parks and various medians.
- Hybrid irrigation controllers were installed for the Tierrasanta Blvd. center island between the I-5 Fwy and Santo Rd. We have experience multiple power outages at this site for unknown reasons (street repair, HS construction, water/sewer utilities, etc.) This upgrade enables the irrigation to run as programmed off battery controllers instead of standard power.
- Playground sandboxes were rototilled at Community Park, Villa Monserate, and Villa Norte to loosen up compacted sand from the recent rains.

Tree Maintenance

- A few rain showers fell again this month. No downed trees to report on City of San Diego land in the Tierrasanta MAD. Pruning and preparation for the recent rainstorms have helped.
- Structural and safety tree pruning will resume in a few weeks.

Open Space Canyons

- Dishwasher Pond water has been maintained at an adequate level. Recent rains have helped to keep it full.
- Mulch has been added to several Open Space overlooks and cul-de-sacs.
- Bomb ordnance signs are being assessed and replaced as needed.
- Friends of Tierrasanta continue their weekly cleanup. Removing eucalyptus tree suckers from Rueda Canyon has been completed for now. Old, unused irrigation pipe removal is now taking place.
- Damage to a stand of lemonade berry trees in Rueda Canyon from the palm removal project was assessed. A plan to mitigate these damages is developing. More will be discussed on the July 14th Tierrasanta Open Space meeting..
- Vegetation adjacent to the open space in the concrete brow ditches around Vista Grande Elementary School were pruned back. Sediment in the brow ditches were shoveled and blown clean as well.

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May 1, 2019

APRIL ACTIVITIES IN TIERRASANTA

Landscape Maintenance

- Treebeard continues to provide landscape maintenance services in a timely manner and within budget.
- Mulch has been added to planter beds in parks and various medians.
- Irrigation has resumed in all areas. The clocks were reset due to the time change, schedules set, and many adjustments and repairs are taking place in all irrigated areas.
- Serra High School irrigation was off much longer due to the construction there. The main line break further delayed things before irrigation was resumed. Irrigation is now back on and many rotors were upgraded. The new rotors help to provide closer head to head coverage than what existed here before. This will help the turf as we enter the hottest and driest seasons of the year.

Tree Maintenance

- A few rain showers fell again this month. No downed trees to report on City of San Diego land. Pruning and preparation for the recent rainstorms have helped.
- Tree trimming and safety pruning continues at various locations including Open Space areas.
- Villa Norte Park and Roadrunner Park trees were both pruned.
- Clairemont Mesa Blvd. center median trees were safety pruned.

Open Space Canyons

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- Mulch has been added to several Open Space overlooks and cul-de-sacs.
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