

Mission Bay CAC Meeting Minutes

Meeting date: March 9, 2023

1. Attendance:

Present: Kevin Beauchamp, Yoyo Murphy, Sarah Davis, Donna Dell’Era, Michael D. Freeman, Catherine Sharpe, Alfonso Felder

Excused Absence: Toby Levine, Terezia Nemeth, Catherine Sharpe, JoAnn Locke

Absent:

2. Discussion/ Action Item: Approval of Secondary Use designation for an institutional use on the ground floor of 1245 Fourth Street (Block 4 West/ Strata), between Mission Rock and China Basin Streets– 10 minutes

Description of Item: Dahlia Wildflower School, a Montessori school offering Spanish immersion education for children between the ages of 5 and 12 years old, is proposing to operate on the ground floor space at 1245 Fourth Street between Mission Rock and China Basin Streets. Approval of this use requires a Secondary Use Finding from OCII per the MBS Redevelopment Plan.

Copy of Presentation: <https://sfocii.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/Item 2 - The Dahlia School of San Francisco Elementary.pdf>

Presenter: Lindsey Barnes (The Dahlia School), David Hernandez (The Dahlia School)

Discussion highlights

- OCII staff presented the zoning need for secondary use authorization for an institutional use in the 4th Street retail corridor.
- The Executive Director of the school as well as an Elementary Teacher Leader presented the location, site plan and curriculum values (Montessori, Spanish Immersion, Intentional Diversity) of the proposed school.
- Hours of operation will be M-Th 8 – 5:30pm, Fri 9 – 4:30pm
- Drop off window is 8 - 8:45am; Pick up window 2:45 – 3:00pm, 5:15 – 5:30pm
- Enrollment size of 12-48 students
- Goal = 60% of students on scholarship

Q&A Highlights

- The Executive Director has a goal of interacting with the community as much as possible by using shared spaces and having the school itself be welcoming to the public.
- The Dahlia school will manage drop off using a loading zone in front of a neighboring retail tenant, Joe and the Juice.
- Parents of two children enrolled in the Dahlia school’s preschool location on Channel Street spoke about the merits of the program including the bilingual curriculum and diversity.

Action: A motion was made to approve the Secondary Use designation. All present CAC members voted in favor.

3. Discussion Item: Mission Bay Open Space Transition – 15 minutes

Description of Item: Update on the transfer of Mission Bay Open Space maintenance and oversight to the Port and Recreation and Parks Department.

Copy of Presentations:

<https://sfocii.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/Item%203%20-%20Mission%20Bay%20Parks%20Transition%20RPD.pdf>

<https://sfocii.org/sites/default/files/inline-files/Item%203%20-%20Mission%20Bay%20Parks%20Transition%20Port.pdf>

Presenter: Tim Felton (SF Port), Antonio Guerra (SF Recreation & Parks)

Discussion highlights

- The Port and RPD gave an overview of the parks to be under their jurisdiction, their staffing plan, upfront equipment purchases and maintenance standards
- Port
 - Will manage 9.6 acres in Mission Bay
 - 2 Gardeners, 2 Laborers, 2 Youth Employment Groups as needed, 1 Park Section Supervisor, 1 Truck Driver / Plumber / Electrician, Painter (shared FTE), 0.5 Property Manager | 2 uniformed SFPD officers, 2 SFPD bike officers. 1 nighttime contract security patrol for Crane Cove park and Mission Rock parks (Crane Cove and Mission Rock are outside of OCII's Mission Bay Project Area)
 - Daily, weekly, monthly maintenance tasks for landscaping and general maintenance (litter, graffiti, furniture maintenance, lighting and electrical)
- RPD
 - Will manage 28.54 acres in Mission Bay
 - 7 Gardeners, 2 Custodians, 1 Park Section Supervisor, 1 Custodial Asst Supervisor, 2 Park Rangers, 0.5 Park Service Area Manager
 - Controller's Office and RPD do visual assessments according to 295 standards in their parks every year and assign overall score to each park; report is published and available to public
 - FY 2022 – RPD portfolio park score 91%
 - Brandon Young (former assignment of Stern Grove) will be Park Section Supervisor
 - Marcus Santiago Division Chief of SPD Rangers will also work in Mission Bay

Q&A Highlights

- RPD Rangers will patrol an 8-hour day time shift from 10am – 6pm, with a nighttime shift and a beat officer split between Mission Bay and SOMA parks). The 8-hour daytime shift is modifiable (can change the start and end times). There is a [24-Hour dispatch line](#) available for residents to call regarding security issues
- RPD Rangers work with a 24-hour dispatch that includes mental health services through a partnership with the SFPD Street Crisis Unit, including an abatement crew that works with unhoused tent communities to move from locations where camping is prohibited by code. RPD also has a close relationship with the City's Homeless Outreach Team.

- Complimentary dog waste bags are/will be provided at Port managed parks, but not at RPD managed parks due to action taken at the RPD Commission and a partnership with a community group, Friends of the Dog Parks, who supplies bags at other existing RPD properties
- If trash cans get overstuffed after events at Oracle Park and Chase Center, RPD can deploy staff “surges” for excess trash removal. Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund advisory group also coordinates with SF Giants and Warriors staff to deploy additional Public Works and SFPD to Mission Bay during and after sporting events; the group is looking at how Mission Bay parks in particular can be better supported
- RPD has hired gardeners and custodians based on their internal staffing model and expects to be able to meet the current standards of Mission Bay parks maintenance with this staffing model
- RPD has hired 7 positions already for their staffing model; some positions will be filled internally
- Park Section Supervisor will have their office at 451 Berry Street (same headquarters as current POSM staff)
- Once they begin to manage parks, RPD and Port staff can come to the Mission Bay CAC to provide updates and answer questions
- Individuals can contact RPD with comments or questions regarding park issues here: rpdinfo@sfgov.org

Individual Community Member Concerns and Outstanding Questions

- How does current POSM match or not match with the RPD and Port proposed staffing for parks management?
- How will events reservations and permits work across the park system?
- RPD Ranger team and Port should coordinate with Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund advisory group on planning for security in parks near the Chase Center and Oracle Park.
- Request lodged for trees near the eastern portion of the Mission Bay Commons (near residential buildings) to be regularly trimmed by RPD once they assume management.
- Parks transfer should be linked with the Mission Bay Needs Assessment/Community Realm Plan and put forth for approval by the Board of Supervisors.
- Agenda items regarding this parks transition topic should be clearly written and meeting minutes should be supplied.

4. **Announcements and Updates** – 10 minutes

- **OCII** – Update provided by Marc Slutzkin. OCII staff continues to work on CAC membership with Chair Davis as well as sourcing a space for future CAC meetings, possibly on the Chase Center site. OCII staff continues to work on the budget process and open space transition.
- **MBDG** – MBDG staff were absent, no update was provided.
- **Mission Bay Parks** – Cathy Hickey from Mission Park provided an update on the park repairs and maintenance work stemming from recent rain storms.

5. **Chair Update** – Chair Davis is continuing to work on CAC membership and with OCII staff on locating a CAC meeting location in Mission Bay South.

6. **Public Comment (Persons wishing to address the members on non-agenda, but CAC related matters)** – 5 minutes

A few members of the public in attendance stated their requests to be added to the CAC mailing list were not met in a timely manner. OCII staff invited them to share their emails on the meeting sign in sheet so they could be added to the distribution list after the meeting.

7. Meeting Closure – 6:50 PM