

SMC Parks Dog Pilot Project Work Group

Work Group Goals:

- Recommend to the Parks Department 1-2 park sites where on-leash dog access can be piloted and evaluated, based on the work of the Dog Management Committee, and
- Provide a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors about a possible off-leash pilot location

Agenda

August 5, 2019

400 County Center, Supervisors' Chambers, Redwood City

Goals for this meeting:

- Update progress on on-leash pilots and status of survey implementation
- Begin a process to develop an off-leash recommendation to the Parks Department
- Agree on a timeline for completing the Work Group's assignment

2:00 PM	Welcome, Introductions, Process Review Approval of notes from the June Work Group Meeting	Facilitator
2:10	Public Comment: address the work group on any topic relevant to the discussion (2-minute limit).	
2:30	Brief review of written input to the Work Group Follow up from June meeting – information requests <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information handout that outlines existing off-leash dog recreation opportunities in San Mateo County.	Peggy Jensen Ellie Dallman
	Update regarding On-Leash Dog Access Pilots started June 15th	Ellie Dallman
	Report on Implementation of User Survey to gather feedback during On-Leash Pilot	Ellie Dallman
	Ranger Contacts, Education and Data Collection	Peggy Jensen
3:00	Approach to Developing an Off-leash Recommendation <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Define policies that apply to off-leash dog access in SMC<ul style="list-style-type: none">- in addition to policies that apply to on-leash access2. Consider structural options for off-leash: open space, trails, enclosed areas3. Consider potential locations for an off-leash pilot4. Define how to evaluate the success of an off-leash pilot<ul style="list-style-type: none">- In addition to criteria being used for on-leash access	Facilitator

- 3:10 **Share information pertinent to discussion of off-leash pilot**
- Updates from Work Group members re. their research on practices in other parks – Group members
 - Discuss rationale for looking at locations where dogs are already present as possible off-leash pilot locations Peggy Jensen

3:30 **Proposed Timeline to develop recommendation to Parks Department and submit it to the Parks Commission and Board of Supervisors** Facilitator

Feedback from Work Group Members on Timeline

Agenda for September Meeting

- Review of Off-Leash Policies used in other parks and discussion of SMC off-leash policies
- Discuss and potentially select structure for recommended pilot

4:00 PM **Thanks to All and Adjourn**

San Mateo County Dog Pilot Work Group 2019 Roster

Members

Barbara Bonilla, SMC Parks Commission

Faye Brophy, Equestrian Trails and Recreation Advisory Council*

Joel Cervantes, District 2, Ranger III (Huddart, Wunderlich, Edgewood, Flood, Friendship)

Christine Corwin, Coastside Dog Owners Group of San Mateo County*

Matthew Del Carlo, District 4, Ranger IV (San Pedro Valley, Devil's Slide, Sanchez Adobe, Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, Moss Beach Park, Pillar Point Bluff, Quarry, Mirada Surf, Tunitas)

Nic Erridge, Pescadero Municipal Advisory Council*

Jerry Hearn, Conservation community*

Chris Johnson, Coastside resident*

Neil Merrilees, SMC Parks Commission*

Kevin O'Brien, District 1, Ranger III (Coyote Point and Crystal Springs Trail)

Jim Sullivan, Pacifica Open Space Council and Mountain Biker*

**Served on Dog Management Committee*

Parks Department Staff

Peggy Jensen, Acting Parks Director

Ellie Dallman, On Special Assignment

Laurel Finnegan, Ranger IV

Priscilla Alvarez, Ranger IV

Carla Schoof, Public Information/Communication

Hannah Ormshaw, Natural Resource Coordinator

Facilitator

Pat Brown