

TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY Council Liaison Report

TO: Portola Valley Town Council

FROM: Jeff Aalfs, Mayor

DATE: 13 April 2023

RE: C/CAG meeting report

The C/CAG Board of Directors met on April 13th. The following items were on the agenda:

Presentations:

- 1. A presentation on Federal funding advocacy efforts from Ken Brown Consultants
- 2. A presentation on county-wide trip-reduction efforts by Commute.org
 - a. Note that Portola Valley has an open seat on the Commute.org board. This seat must be filled by a Council Member.
- 3. A presentation on the Cordilleras Bridge Replacement project on Interstate 101 in Redwood City by CalTrans.

Regular Agenda:

- Updated roster and meeting schedule for the Administrator's Advisory Committee (Approved)
- 2. Initial recommendations on the Congestion Relief Plan reauthorization
- 3. Legislative update:
 - a. The Board voted to support SB537 (Becker) modifying the Brown Act with regards to remote meetings of non-legislative bodies.



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TO: Mayor and Members of the Town Council

FROM: Sarah Wernikoff

DATE: Wednesday, April 26, 2023

RE: Parks & Rec Meeting 4.18.23

OVERVIEW:

1. Court maintenance discussion: Crack repairs and re-lining all sports court, etc.

- 2. New member discussion: open to Ladera residents joining the committee.
- 3. 2023-24 budget discussion: Committee will request \$30K (\$3K increase over last year due to increased parking fees, inflation).
- 4. Court usage policy: Voted to approve court policy as written (attached), 3 month trial starting May 15th.
- 5. Trivia night: Sat, May 13th 6pm, 6 registrations, discussion of promotion
- 6. Committee structure discussion: Preference for non-Brown Act committee.

PROPOSAL PV Town Center Court Usage Recommendation

Town Center Courts are meant to be used primarily by our residents. We strive to balance the needs of Tennis, Pickleball and other user of our courts so that there is equity in the availability and usage of the courts. We believe reservations should be kept to a minimum, so courts are more available to all.

In order to establish priority and manage reservations, the courts will be assigned priority groups:

	Court #1 – Priority Group Pickleball	Court #2 – Priority Group Tennis
	(unless otherwise noted)	(unless otherwise noted)
Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Priority Pickleball	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Priority Pickleball
	1:00 p.m. to Dark – Priority Tennis	1:00 p.m. to Dark – Priority Tennis
Monday	Courts A&B (closest to Softball Field):	Full Court: Open Play when not reserved.
Tuesday	Reservations allowed from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00	
Wednesday	p.m. Open play at all other times	
Thursday	Courts C&D (closest to parking lot): Open Play	
Friday	at all times, reservations not allowed	
Saturday	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Priority Tennis	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Priority Tennis
	1:00 p.m. to Dark – Priority Pickleball	1:00 p.m. to Dark – Priority Pickleball

Any court may be used by a non-priority group UNTIL someone from the priority group shows up to play or has a reservation. Non-priority groups must vacate the court within 10 minutes to priority group. Court #2 may only be reserved for tennis

Non-residents may ONLY make "same" day reservations, and they will have court usage visibility on Skedda. (Residents are defined as living within the boundaries of Portola Valley, non-residents include Los Trancos/Vista Verde and Ladera).

Pickleball players will be responsible for developing and managing governance regarding open play. Please reference the PVPickleball web pages for more information

Reservations:

- Reservations will open on the 15th of the month for the following month (i.e. open on February 15 for March reservations)
- A resident may only make 2 reservations per week.
- Recurring reservations will not be allowed.
- Groups may request from the Parks and Recreations Chairperson (the Skedda System Administrator) an extended reservation for a specific purpose (i.e., special event, league/match play). Requests must be made within a reasonable time frame. Approval is at the discretion of the System Administrator.
- PV Parks and Recreations Classes/Clinics, CMS and any other Town approved uses have priority and will be scheduled by the System Administrator.
- Court availability may NOT be posted on social media at any time.

Rolling Pickleball Nets: Must be properly returned to storage area when no longer needed (i.e. no players waiting).

Note: This policy will take effect May 15 and will be revisited 3 months from the start date for evaluation of any changes.

Report on the April 19th Trails and Paths meeting Judith Hasko

Update on Old Business

The committee reported on various maintenance efforts for the Town Trails and Paths. Some mowing and weed removal efforts will be undertaken now that the rains have stopped. There was some discussion of engaging people in Town to supplement some of these efforts if they wanted to volunteer to help on trails near their homes. Some tools could be made available by the Town, such as weed removers, provided that these volunteers sign a standard waiver and do work only on Town rights of way.

Howard reported that the maintenance budget would essentially be spent by the end of the fiscal year given repairs and tree work necessitated by storms.

Efforts to develop a Trails and Paths Archival system were discussed. The subcommittee undertaking the work said they are evaluating software to use, including potentially that made available by Good to be Green. There will be future reports on the system selected and how best to populate the database, which will serve as an ongoing repository of Trails and Pathsrelated information, records and history.

An update on MROSD plans for the Hawthornes property was given, with the Town representative attending noting Town potential concerns regarding trails and parking. Further reports will be made to the committee as the planning evolves.

New Business

Last the committee discussed its extensive efforts to create an updated map of Town Trails and Paths. The committee worked very hard to compare old trail maps with existing trail usage, and noted in the proposed new map changes needed to reflect new trails, updated uses consistent with easements, and indications of where the Town trail system interacts with trails maintained by WASC, and trails in various open spaces and neighboring jurisdictional spaces. The committee will work with Cara and Howard to refine a proposed resolution for adoption of the updated map by the Town Council, and to understand any legal analyses that may be needed to be done before submitting the package for consideration by the Town Council. This will be the first update to the Trails and Paths map since 2007, and constitutes an enormous amount of work by the committee.

Continued Item

The committee ran out of time for the Town Council priorities presentation, and agreed to continue it to a future meeting.

In the course of the latter item, a member noted that on PV Forum residents want to understand the proposed usage of trails along Alpine, in particular for Safe Routes to School purposes. The committee wants to agendize a more fulsome discussion with public participation of their concerns related to the Safe Routes to School recommended usage, and more general usage, including in light of the Hawthorns project which may upgrade the trail on the south side of Alpine and provide better alternatives in the future. The committee liaison suggests that the Town Council consider convening an ad hoc committee or other mechanism to facilitate a broader discussion of this issue, which has been noted for years, given the interest expressed.

Report given on navigational systems for aircraft approach location monitoring at SFO (GBAS: a new ground-based augmentation system vs. ILS: an instrument landing system), benefits of the former and the goals of this new system. The GBAS is being phased in; the ILS is an older system; it works but has certain limitations. The GBAS adoption/optimization is a multi-year process, currently at the innovation and improvement stage.

GBAS was installed at SFO a year ago. In US, Newark, Houston, SFO. Kennedy and LaGuardia will follow (total of 5). Internationally 100s in use. Each airport must purchase and operate themselves in US so it is less common here. Currently, 30% of planes landing at SFO use this GBAS system.

Reviewed 3 particular proposals and their status for updating flight procedures to approach SFO.

Vote to pursue 2 of the 3 proposals with FAA even if outside GBAS purview, to continue to seek lower noise in the area.

Received report on other roundtable efforts at other major airports.

Report on SFO trends: Level of air traffic: 80% relative to pre-traffic levels. Expect upward trend.

New air lines and routes were reported. 1 runway closed on March 27 for construction; will reopen near Memorial Day or so. 1 am to 5 am departures now are directed more to overwater area, to decrease noise. EIR for sea level rise: Due to be published in the fall responding to public comment; some concerns are noise related to construction of sea level rise-related structures.

A noise insulation program update was given, Satisfaction rates are rising, On-line access to noise information reporting is increasingly available.