

## SMC Parks Dog Pilot Project Work Group

### Work Group Goals:

1. 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
2. Provide a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors about a possible off-leash pilot location

### Meeting Agenda

January 7, 2019

455 County Center, Room 402, Redwood City

### Goals for this meeting:

1. Introduce and welcome Work Group members
2. Review the purpose of the Work Group
3. Review overriding and secondary policies developed by the Dog Management Committee
4. Review Parks Department assessment of parks lands that could be open to on-leash dogs (based on policies developed by the Dog Management Committee) and areas that should not be open to dog recreation
5. Come to agreement about park locations that are not suitable for dog recreation
6. Confirm the 2019 work group meeting schedule

2:00 PM	<b>Welcome, Introductions</b> <b>Process Review</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review planned agenda</li><li>• Propose group agreements</li></ul>	Facilitator
2:15	<b>Public Comment:</b> Members of the public may address the work group on any topic relevant to the discussion (3 minute limit).	
2:20	<b>Review Work Group Purpose</b>	Peggy Jensen Acting Director
2:30	<b>Communication Plan for the New Dog Ordinance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Ranger training program and educational materials</li><li>▪ Data Collection Plan and process</li></ul>	Laurel Finnegan Visitor Services Ranger IV
2:45	<b>Review Policies Developed by the Dog Management Committee</b>	Facilitator

2:50	<b>Department's Initial Assessment of Areas that Should Not Be Opened to Dogs (based on Primary and Secondary Policy Recommendations)</b>	Laurel Finnegan
3:00	<b>Work Group Discussion and Consensus-building on the Question of Which Parks Should Not Be Opened for Dog Recreation</b>	All
3:20	<b>Discuss and Confirm Work Group Timeline and Meeting Schedule</b>	Facilitator
	<b>Preview the agenda for the February Meeting and Remind About Location</b>	
3:30 PM	<b>Thanks to All and Adjourn</b>	Peggy Jensen, Acting Director

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## 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\*

**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**, Visitor Services, Ranger IV

### Facilitator

Pat Brown

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## Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2019

All meetings will be at 455 County Center, Room 402 or 405, Redwood City

2:00-3:30 PM

<p>Monday, Jan. 7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Introductions, review of purpose, goals, timeline</li> <li>▪ Review of Communication Plan</li> <li>▪ Review of Data Collection Plan (locations where dogs already present)</li> <li>▪ Review BOS adopted policy and Dog Management Committee recommendations</li> <li>▪ Develop consensus on locations where dog recreation is not suitable</li> </ul>
<p>Monday, Feb. 4  <b>Criminal Justice            Training Room</b>            400 County Center            1<sup>st</sup> Floor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Present research on local public lands on-leash policies and criteria</li> <li>▪ Continue to review list of potential pilot locations and add criteria as needed</li> <li>▪ Review environmental and health impacts of dog access</li> </ul>
<p>Monday, Mar. 4</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Discuss Park Department recommendation re. potential locations for on leash pilot and any additional ideas</li> <li>▪ Develop draft list of possible pilot sites</li> <li>▪ Select one or two sites for on-leash pilot</li> </ul>
<p>Monday, Apr. 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Receive preliminary report on education efforts and data collection</li> <li>▪ Final review of 1 or 2 on-leash pilot sites</li> <li>▪ Determine on leash pilot period and discuss how success will be determined</li> <li>▪ Design outreach/communication approach for pilot program</li> </ul>
<p>Monday, May 6</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Review and approve one or two on-leash pilot sites, approach to pilot evaluation and timeline for implementation</li> </ul>
<p>Monday, June 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Present research on off-leash areas in San Mateo County and policies on public lands, both enclosed areas and on trails</li> <li>▪ Discuss requirements for off-leash sites and any policies/conditions for off leash owners</li> <li>▪ Present on-leash pilot site(s) and evaluation plan to Parks Commission – June 6, 2019</li> </ul>

July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No Work Group Meeting</li> <li>▪ Present on-leash pilot site(s) and results of six month data collection related to ordinance to Board of Supervisors</li> </ul>
Monday, Aug. 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Present final report on education and data collection work completed in June</li> <li>▪ Present off-leash area options based on criteria developed by Work Group</li> <li>▪ Discuss potential off-leash sites and owner criteria</li> </ul>
Monday, Sep. 9 (due to Labor Day Holiday)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Review and finalize off-leash pilot area, policies, requirements</li> <li>▪ Discuss evaluation plan and timeline</li> </ul>
Monday, Oct. 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Present off-leash pilot sites, policies and conditions to Parks Commission – October 4, 2019</li> <li>▪ Report back to Work Group on Commission comments/recommendations</li> <li>▪ Finalize off-leash pilot and conditions and criteria recommendations</li> </ul>
Monday, Nov. 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Prepare to present off-leash recommendations and update on on-leash areas to Board of Supervisors</li> </ul>
Thursday, Dec. 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Present off-leash recommendations and update on on-leash areas to Board of Supervisors</li> </ul>
September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reconvene Work Group to receive report on pilot program(s) and proposed next steps based on evaluation of programs</li> </ul>