

RESOLUTION NUMBER R-294435

ADOPTED ON JANUARY 9, 2001

WHEREAS, in accordance with San Diego Charter section 43(b), the Mayor, City Council, or City Manager may create and establish temporary citizen committees for the purpose of advising on questions with clearly defined objectives; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2000, the Committee on Land Use and Housing [LU&H] held a public hearing on the process for designating additional dog exercise and training areas in City-owned parks [Off-Leash Areas]; and

WHEREAS, during the LU&H hearing, members of the public requested that a committee of knowledgeable professionals be formed in order to begin a new process of selecting Off-Leash Areas [Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee]; and

WHEREAS, LU&H indicated that the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee should identify criteria for siting Off-Leash Areas in Council Districts 1, 2, 5, and 6; and

WHEREAS, LU&H directed the City Manager to form the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee to be composed of up to ten members, with membership to be approved by the City Council;
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that the membership of the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee, as described in Manager's Report No. CMR-01-002, dated January 8, 2001, is approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the process outlined by LU&H be continued as

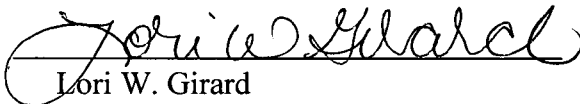
follows:

1. Rescind the current process regarding existing parks, but continue to review new parks for appropriateness.
2. Allow pipeline applications to proceed under the current process.
3. Begin a new process with the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee. In addition to the members described in Manager's Report No. CMR-01-002, the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee will also include the following members:
 - a. The Chair of the Park and Recreation Board or his or her designee;
 - b. The Chair of the Community Planners Committee or his or her designee;
and
 - c. Donald Steele.
4. Staff is directed to use their best efforts to look for a child advocate to sit on the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee, but if staff cannot find a child advocate to sit on the Committee, then staff shall arrange for an expert to testify at a meeting.
5. Park and Recreation staff is directed to return to LU&H in 90 days with a list of six to ten recommended new Off-Leash Areas in existing parks within Council Districts 1, 2, 5 and 6. A preliminary review of the parks using the Off-Leash Ad Hoc Committee's criteria to be included.
6. Direct staff that the goal is to designate new Off-Leash Areas within existing parks.
7. Allow staff to hire a facilitator to help with the process. Poway and Minneapolis

are to be looked at for successful models.

8. Have the recommendation approved by the full City Council.

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