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City of San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission Agenda

San Ramon City Hall
Council Chamber
7000 Bollinger Canyon Road

July 8, 2026
7:00 PM
Regular Meeting

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Announcements

3.1. Changes and Additions to the Agenda

3.2. Special Announcements

3.3. Temporary Employee of the Month for June 2026

Introduction by Jessica Reaber, Recreation Supervisor

3.4. Recognition of Outgoing Chairperson, Steve Bried

4. Public Comment

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5. Commission Business

5.1. Nomination and Appointment of 2026-2027 Parks & Community Services Commission Chair and Vice Chair

5.2. Minutes of the Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting - June 10, 2026

Recommendation: Accept Minutes

5.3. Parks and Community Services FY27 Adopted Budget

Recommendation: Receive Report

Presentation by Mae Mlyniec, Program Manager

5.4. Financial Sustainability Workshop #1 - Introduction

Recommendation: Receive Report and Provide Feedback

Presentation by Bradley Morris, Division Manager, Mae Mlyniec, Program Manager, and Kevin Boggs, Recreation Supervisor

5.5. Discussion of Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting Time

Recommendation: Discuss and Provide Direction Regarding Regular Meeting Start Time.

Presented by Henry Perezalonso, Director

6. Director's Report

6.1. Monthly Activity Report - June 2026

7. Commissioner Reports and Announcements

8. Adjournment

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Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report Item No. 3.3.

Date: July 8, 2026

To: San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission

From: Henry Perezalonso, Department Director
Jessica Reaber, Recreation Supervisor

Subject: Temporary Employee of the Month for June 2026

Executive Summary:

The Parks and Community Services Department recognizes temporary employees monthly for their hard work and dedication to the community. Janelle Haskins has been selected as the temporary employee of June 2026 in recognition of her excellent work in Inclusion Support for summer camps.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission receive the Temporary Employee of the Month for June 2026.

Background:

The City of San Ramon Parks and Community Services Department is pleased to recognize Janelle Haskins, Recreation Leader, in Inclusion Support, as the Temporary Employee of the Month for June 2026.

Janelle began working in Inclusion Support in the summer of 2024, providing individualized assistance to participants with a variety of disabilities. She has an exceptional ability to connect with campers, helping them feel included, supported, and successful. Whether reinforcing instructions, modeling appropriate behavior, or assisting with peer interactions, Janelle creates a welcoming environment where campers feel safe, valued, and comfortable seeking her support when they are upset or overwhelmed.

During the first month of camp, Janelle demonstrated exceptional patience, professionalism, and compassion while supporting campers with significant behavioral challenges. Her calm, empathetic approach helped de-escalate difficult situations and provided individualized support while maintaining a safe and positive environment for all campers. Janelle consistently balanced the needs of individual participants with those of the larger group, earning the trust and appreciation of both campers and their families. Her

dedication left a lasting positive impression, with one parent specifically recognizing Janelle for going above and beyond in supporting their child in ways they had not experienced with other programs.

The Parks and Community Services Department sincerely thanks Janelle for her dedication, flexibility, and professionalism. Her efforts as Inclusion Support staff have a significant, meaningful impact on the lives of participants and her fellow staff.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Alternative Option(s):

No alternative options are presented, as this report is informational in nature.

Next Steps:

There are no next steps with this report.

Attachment(s):

None

**Minutes of the
City of San Ramon
Parks and Community Services Commission Special Meeting
June 10, 2026**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM.

Present:

Chair Steve Bried

Vice Chair Kyle Levy

Commissioner Will Doerlich

Commissioner Terry Koehne

Commissioner Partha Mitra

Commissioner Julia Oseland

Commissioner Vasanth Shetty

Also in attendance: Parks and Community Services Division Manager Brad Morris, Program Managers Jennifer Gault and Keith Haase, Recreation Supervisor Jessica Reaber, and Administrative Coordinator Kathy Schiller.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Announcements

3.1. Changes and Additions to the Agenda

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3.3. Temporary Employee of the Month for May 2026

Recreation Jessica Reaber introduced Kaden Shah-Welch. Chair Bried and Parks and Community Services Division Manager Brad Morris presented the award.

4. Public Comment

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5. Commission Business

5.1. Minutes of the Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting - May 13, 2026

Recommendation: Accept Minutes

Commissioner Doerlich's motion to Approve the Minutes of the May 15, 2026, meeting was seconded by Commissioner Mitra. The motion Passed 7-0-0-0.

Result:	Passed [7-0-0-0]
Mover:	Commissioner Will Doerlich
Second:	Commissioner Partha Mitra
Ayes:	Steve Bried, Kyle Levy, Will Doerlich, Terry Koehne, Partha Mitra, Julia Oseland, Vasanth Shetty
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absences:	

5.2. Installation of a Lighted Scoreboard at Athan Downs

Recommendation: Consider approving the addition of a battery-operated lighted scoreboard at Athan Downs Park Field 3, funded by Bollinger Canyon Little League.

Program Manager Keith Haase provided the presentation. Justin Cates, Bollinger Canyon Little League, provided additional information to the presentation.

Public Comment on the item was provided by Vincent Salinas.

Written Public Comment on this item was received from Brian Triplett, Richard Leiblich, and Eloy Carillo.

Commissioner Koehne's motion to approve the addition of a battery-operated lighted scoreboard at Athan Downs Park Field 3, funded by Bollinger Canyon Little League, was seconded by Commissioner Doerlich. The motion Passed 7-0-0-0.

Result:	Passed [7-0-0-0]
Mover:	Commissioner Terry Koehne
Second:	Commissioner Will Doerlich
Ayes:	Steve Bried, Kyle Levy, Will Doerlich, Terry Koehne, Partha Mitra, Julia Oseland, Vasanth Shetty
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absences:	

5.3. Parks and Community Services Commissioner Feedback on the 2026 Art & Wind Festival

Recommendation: Provide feedback

Division Manager Brad Morris opened the discussion for feedback from the commissioners on the 2026 Art & Wind Festival.

Commissioners provided feedback.

6. Director's Report

6.1. Monthly Activity Report - May 2026

Parks and Community Services Division Manager Brad Morris provided special announcements and presented the April Monthly Activity Report.

7. Commissioner Reports and Announcements

8. Adjournment

Chair Bried adjourned the meeting at 7:16 PM.



**Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report
Item No. 5.3.**

Date: July 8, 2026

To: San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission

**From: Henry Perezalonso, Department Director
Mae Mlyniec, Program Manager**

Subject: Parks and Community Services FY27 Adopted Budget

Executive Summary:

The Parks and Community Services Department continually evaluates programs and services to improve operations, increase efficiency, and enhance community offerings in alignment with City Council goals and Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation Master Plan objectives. The 2025/26 accomplishments provide a snapshot of the Department’s key achievements, while the 2026/27 Major Action Items identify upcoming priorities.

The adopted 2026/27 budget includes \$12.9 million in expenditures and \$7.5 million in revenue. Approximately 59% of expenditures will be covered by program-generated revenue, including classes, tickets, and facility rentals, with the remaining 41% funded by the General Fund.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Parks and Community Services Commission receive the report on the 2025/26 Significant Accomplishments, 2026/27 Major Action Items, and 2026/27 adopted budget.

Background:

The Parks & Community Services Department evaluates the programs provided to the public on an ongoing basis. Staff continually looks for ways to improve services, increase efficiency, and provide new programs to the public using City Council goals and Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation Master Plan objectives as a guide. The following list of accomplishments from FY2025/26 provides a representative snapshot of some of the Parks and Community Services Department’s major accomplishments during the past year. The Major Action Plan items are projects that the Parks and Community Services Department will work on for fiscal year 2026/27. Finally, the 2026/27 Adopted Budget is a brief recap of the Parks and Community Services budget approved by City Council.

Significant Accomplishments for FY2025-26:

People

1. Expanded inclusive recreation and enrichment opportunities across all age groups, including new youth tennis tournaments (80 participants), a beach volleyball class, in-house ceramics, and expanded adult/senior fitness and social support programs. MPG 3.1, 3.2, 4.32
2. Strengthened teen leadership and workforce pathways by expanding the Leaders in Training program and partnering with local high schools, colleges, and regional job fairs to recruit a diverse part-time workforce. MPG 3.1B, 3.2B, 3.1C-3
3. Increased senior engagement through new classes, support groups, transportation education in partnership with County Connection, and robust National Senior Center Month programming with events, presentations, and resource fairs. MPG 2.3, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3

Parks

1. Expanded access to parks and recreation amenities with the opening of Sunrise Ridge Park, improved field and facility use, and added storage at Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center to better support user groups. MPG 3.1A, 3.1C, 4.2
2. Upgraded recreation infrastructure through a cricket pitch renovation at Gale Ranch, AV and theater enhancements at Front Row Theater and Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center, improving both programming quality and operational efficiency. MPG 3.1C, 3.4, 4.1D
3. Advanced environmental and agricultural assets through presentation of the Trails Master Plan and expanded garden-based education with over 50% growth in participation. MPG 2.1C, 2.3, 4.3E

Partnerships

1. Strengthened partnerships to expand community services, including a new Learn-to-Swim program with San Ramon Valley Aquatics, arts partnerships with SPARC, and San Ramon Academy of Music, delivering 75+ free workshops, classes, and performances. MPG 3.1, 3.2, 3.
2. Collaborated with schools, County agencies, and community organizations to support workforce recruitment, senior transportation outreach, and civic services, including hosting polling locations and election training. MPG 3.1C-3, 3.3B, 4.6E
3. Partnered to enhance cultural and historic resources at Forest Home Farms, including facility improvements, expanded exhibits, and programming that served over 9,500 participants. MPG 2.1D, 4.3D

Programs

1. Broadened recreation and cultural programming with new events and opportunities, including Third Thursday Arts & Eats, expanded Art & Wind Festival artist participation, and new multigenerational classes and activities. MPG 3.2A, 4.3B
2. Delivered high-impact educational and enrichment programming through camps, nature

experiences (including Adventure Club excursions), and living history programs connecting the community to local resources and heritage. MPG 2.1D, 2.3E, 2.3G

- Improved operational efficiency and customer access through updated policies (Athletic Facilities Co-sponsorship), enhanced Activity Guide design, new Nature webpage, and streamlined Community Gardens systems with registration, handbooks, and online service tools. MPG 3.1C, 3.4, 4.5

Performance Measures	July 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023	July 1, 2023 - March 26, 2024	July 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025	July 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026
# of Senior Congregate meals distributed	3,953	5,581	7,121	6,873
# of 30-minute swim lessons	6,103	5,709	4,769	3,020
# Open Gym participants	13,930	15,409	14,643	14,595
# of pool, gym, and field usage hours	65,002	68,428	77,057*	86,684
# of facility rentals	1,260	1,119	1,178	1,293****
# of ticketed event attendees at the DV Performing Arts Center	10,913	9,609	8,546	13,511
# of participants for historic property field trips**	1,200	1,180	1,861	1,958
# of Forest Home Farm Saturday Program attendees	5,000	5,528	3,799***	4,307*****

* high school usage of the pools was not tracked before FY25

** removed 3rd grade specification starting in FY25

*** lost 9 weeks of programs due to budget cuts in FY25

**** includes ongoing rentals and contracts for Gracie's Place 184 & Discovery Counseling

***** reduced winter programming by 6 weeks in FY26

Major Action Plan Items for FY 2026-27

	Completion By	Council Goal(s)
Partner with Public Works and the San Ramon Historic Foundation to initiate the Boone House Restoration project, including identifying funding sources and applying for various grants. MPG 4.3D	July 2026	G2, G3, G4

Establish and implement a comprehensive department equipment inventory to guide five-year budget planning and ensure all PCS facilities maintain essential equipment and furnishings. MPG4.5A, MPG 4.6A	October 2026	G1, G2, G3, G4
Restructure Community Gardens' rental allotments to build on the recent success of the North and South Gardens. Provide an updated handbook, implement quarterly meetings, and create a quarterly newsletter to increase communication and highlight other nature and garden-focused programs that may be of interest. MPG 2.3C	November 2026	G1, G3, G4, G5
Expand the volunteer program in collaboration with all City departments to increase civic engagement and maximize community participation, including a community-wide Clean-Up Day/Adopt a Park program. MPG 3.3B, 4.6E	December 2026	G5
Expand youth sports programming to provide affordable, introductory-level programming focused on skill development and positive sportsmanship. MPG 3.2C, 4.6E	December 2026	G2, G3
Expand evening and weekend adult and senior programming, including tabletop social games, at multiple facilities to improve access, participation, and flexibility for working seniors. MPG 3.2C, 3.1B-2	January 2027	G2, G3
Pilot new enrichment programs to respond to emerging community interests and needs for youth & adults. Explore partnerships with local community providers to diversify class and camp offerings. MPG 3.1B-3, 3.3B, 4.6E	January 2027	G3, G5
Support partnerships with community and county service providers to expand age-friendly presentations and onsite service access at the Alcosta Senior and Community Center and citywide.	February 2027	G3
Develop and implement a comprehensive communications strategy that promotes programs and events, especially arts, and increases overall visibility through coordinated digital and print media efforts. Strengthen department-wide communications and the Parks Make Life Better campaign with engaging social media content, including video and strategic influencer partnerships. MPG 3.3B, MPG 3.4A	February 2027	G5
Complete the first phase of the Crow Canyon Gardens Renovation project. MPG 2.3, MPG 4.3E <i>Continued for FY27.</i>	March 2027	G1, G4

Increase collaboration with local historical agencies and museums to increase awareness and access to historic educational opportunities and exhibits. MPG 2.1C	March 2027	G4, G5
Continue to establish new partnerships to provide greater access to science-based nature programming for all ages. MPG 2.3HG, MPG 2.3H	April 2027	G3
Partner with the Visual Arts Society of San Ramon and local performing arts businesses to enhance education, exhibition, and outreach opportunities for local artists and performers. MPG 3.3B, MPG 4.6E	April 2027	G3, G5
Develop and implement a community mural program in city facilities to connect local artists with opportunities to create and exhibit their talents. MPG1.3, MPG 4.6E	May 2027	G4
Develop and host a Community Aquatics Safety Day at the San Ramon Olympic Pool in partnership with public safety agencies to promote water safety education, emergency preparedness, and injury prevention, in support of maintaining safe, welcoming, and secure recreation environments for the community. MPG 3.2, MPG 3.3	May 2027	G1
Expand the dive-in movie nights to create additional opportunities for family-friendly recreation while enhancing engagement and communication with residents and the local business community through sponsorships and partnerships to focus on community connections and vibrant public spaces. MPG 3.2, MPG 3.3	May 2027	G5
Evaluate and implement goals using the Trails Master Plan as an example to develop new trails in the Old Ranch Open Space and improve wayfinding to the trails with updated signage and a new mobile app. MPG 1.2, MPG 1.4	June 2027	G4
Partner with local organizations to increase access to social recreation activities for participants with various disabilities. MPG 3.1B, 3.2A	June 2027	G3
Revitalize Recreation Therapy volunteer program and partner with local agencies to enhance support of people with disabilities in recreation programs. MPG 3.1B, 3.2A	June 2027	G3, G5

The Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation Master Plan Goals can be found on the Parks and Community Services website at: SanRamon.ca.gov/masterplan.

The City Council Goals can be found on the City website at: https://sanramon.ca.gov/our_city/city_council/council_goals.

FY 2026-27 Adopted Budget

At the February 13, 2026 budget kickoff meeting, the Finance Department emphasized cost containment and challenged all departments to hold FY27 expenditure growth to 2.3%. Departments were asked to base their requests on FY26 projected actuals rather than prior-year budgets. The City reduced General Fund expenses from a 9% growth rate to 7%.

The Department’s adopted FY26/27 budget is \$12.9 million in expenditures (compared to \$10.3M in 25/26) and \$7.5 million in revenue (compared to \$5.3M in 25/26). The proposed Department budget will fund 59% of expenditures through fee collection, primarily for classes, tickets, and facility rentals. The general fund subsidizes the remaining 41%.

For the last few years, the department has included only the net revenue from programs and classes. To be consistent with common accounting practices, the department will report both the programs’ expenses and revenue. This creates a significant jump in both expenses and revenue.

Below are the department’s adopted expenses for FY27 and the difference from last year’s budget:

- Full-Time salaries: \$3.7M [+\$175K]
- Full-time benefits: \$3.09M [savings of \$105K]
- Part-Time salaries: \$1.9M [+\$204K]• Contracts: \$2.1M [+\$306K]
- Supplies: \$358K [+\$103K]
- Instructor Payments: \$1.8M [New category. This was reported as net revenue previously]
- Other: \$180K [+\$37K]• Capital Outlay: \$16K [+\$16K]

Below is the department’s revenue by program. Compared to last year, the numbers will appear significantly higher because they reflect gross revenue rather than net revenue, as in previous years.

- Administration: \$24K [+\$3K]
- Aquatics: \$1.5M [+\$396K]
- Facilities: \$1.4M [+\$107K]
- Arts: \$932K [+\$351K]
- Special Prog/Events: \$303K [+\$40K]
- Youth/Teens: \$991K [+\$391K]
- Adults/Seniors: \$192K [+\$12K]
- Sports: \$2.2M [+\$893K]

The true increase in revenue compared to last year (ie., if there were no changes to the accounting methodology) is \$392,411.

26/27 Approved CIP Projects

CIP	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT
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500004	Alcosta Senior and Community Center Park Outdoor Fitness Equipment	\$75,000
955482	Public Art in Parks – Temporary public art piece and completion of public art monument sign at DSCAC	\$40,000
925418	Forest Home Farms Improvements – Boone House Renovation Design Work	\$674, 295
925590	Recreation Program and Facilities Equipment Replacement – Theater Equipment Replacement	\$29,800

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item. This report is informational only.

Alternative Option(s):

There are no alternative options associated with this item. This report is informational only.

Next Steps:

There are no next steps with this item. This report is informational only.

Attachment(s):

None



**Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report
Item No. 5.4.**

Date: July 8, 2026

To: San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission

**From: Henry Perezalonso, Department Director
Bradley Morris, Division Manager
Mae Mlyniec, Program Manager
Kevin Boggs, Recreation Supervisor**

Subject: Financial Sustainability Workshop #1 - Introduction

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this presentation is to provide the Parks & Community Services Commission (“Commission”) and the public with a brief introduction to the Department’s Financial Sustainability Program. Over the next eight months, staff will work with the Commission to develop a Financial Sustainability Policy that establishes a long-term framework for evaluating services, setting fees, and allocating public resources.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Parks & Community Services Commission receive the report, provide initial feedback, and ask any questions regarding the Financial Sustainability Program.

Background:

Staff is developing a Financial Sustainability Policy to establish a consistent framework for evaluating Parks and Community Services programs and services, setting user fees, and allocating public resources equitably, transparently, and in a financially responsible manner. The policy is intended to help ensure that the Department can continue to provide high-quality parks, recreation, and community services that meet both current and future community needs.

Financial sustainability is the Department's ability to balance social, economic, and environmental priorities while responsibly managing public resources over the long term. A key component of the program is developing a shared understanding of financial concepts and terminology that supports informed discussion and decision-making by staff and the Commission.

As part of this effort, staff will introduce common financial principles and terminology to establish a shared foundation for future discussions. The policy framework will also distinguish between community needs, wants, and demand, recognizing that public investment should be guided by community priorities and desired outcomes rather than demand alone.

The Financial Sustainability Program recognizes that not all recreation programs and services should receive the same level of public subsidy. Throughout the policy development process, staff will introduce various cost recovery strategies and engage the Commission in discussions regarding the appropriate balance between user fees and public subsidy for City of San Ramon parks and community services. Commission input will be an important component of the policy development process. During upcoming workshops and Commission meetings, Commissioners will be asked to provide feedback on proposed service categories, identify services that should receive greater public subsidy, and discuss the principles that should guide future fee-setting decisions.

Tentative Schedule

- **August 2026:** Commission Workshop – Financial Sustainability Framework and Service Categories
- **September 2026:** Pricing Strategies and Cost Recovery Concepts
- **November 2026:** Outdoor Athletic Field User Fees
- **February 2027:** Draft Financial Sustainability Policy Review

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item. This report is informational only.

Alternative Option(s):

No alternative options are presented, as this item is informational in nature.

Next Steps:

Staff will continue developing the Financial Sustainability Policy and return to the Commission throughout the process to receive feedback on key policy components, including service categories, cost recovery goals, pricing strategies, and subsidy levels. Commissioner input will be incorporated into a draft Financial Sustainability Policy, which is anticipated to be presented to the Commission for review in February 2027.

Attachment(s):

None



**Parks and Community Services Commission Staff Report
Item No. 5.5.**

Date: July 8, 2026

To: San Ramon Parks and Community Services Commission

From: Henry Perezalonso, Department Director

Subject: Discussion of Parks and Community Services Commission Meeting Time

Executive Summary:

Staff requests feedback from the Parks and Community Services Commission regarding the start time of its regular monthly meetings.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Parks and Community Services Commission (Commission) provide direction regarding the preferred start time for its regular monthly meetings.

Background:

At the April 8, 2026, Parks and Community Services Commission meeting, several Commissioners expressed interest in revisiting the start time of the Commission's regular meetings. This topic was previously considered at the January 31, 2024, Commission meeting, when several City committees and commissions were evaluating potential changes to their meeting schedules. At that time, the Commission voted to retain its 7:00 p.m. meeting start time.

Currently, the Planning Commission meets at 6:00 p.m., and the City Council recently adjusted its regular meeting start time to 6:30 p.m. The Commission may consider maintaining its current 7:00 p.m. start time or selecting another start time that best accommodates Commissioners and members of the public.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Alternative Option(s):

The Commission may choose to retain the current 7:00 p.m. meeting start time or establish a new start time, such as 5:00 PM, 5:30 PM, 6:00 PM, or 6:30 PM.

Next Steps:

Following Commission directions, staff will implement the approved meeting start time for future Parks and Community Services Commission meetings.

Attachment(s):

None



ACTIVITY REPORT

June 2026



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Parks & Community Services

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PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



Camp Central 2026

Summertime has officially arrived! Camp Central's nine weeks of camps run from June 8 through August 7 at San Ramon Community Center, Central Park, and Iron Horse Gym. Camp Central's structure allows parents to mix and match programs while pairing camps with extended care, providing a full day of options. Parents can tailor their camper's weekly experiences based on their preferences, including Enrichment Camps, Sports Camps, and Performing/Visual Arts. In June, Camp Central offered 90 camp programs and 1,440 registrations. Crazy 4 Sports, Adventure Club, Musical Theater, Dance, Chess, Cooking, and Sports Camps were some of the most popular offerings.

Summer Nature Camp

Summer Nature Camps are full of smiles and campers eager to explore the natural world. Each week, Nature campers cook tasty treats in solar ovens, learn wilderness survival skills like filtering water, tying knots, and building shelters, and play fun cooperative games to teach teamwork, birding, papermaking, animal tracking, flower pressing, creek exploration, five-senses garden walks, and so much more! After attending one week of camp, many campers have so much fun that they sign up for additional weeks of Nature Camp and recruit their friends to join them.



PROVIDE RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES



Summer Arts Camps & Programs

Arts camps kicked off the first week of summer with a series of contract camps, as in-house program-specific staff trainings took place. New staff got the opportunity to learn from experienced instructors and become acclimated to the spaces and programs they would be leading. In June, Dougherty Station Community Arts Center and San Ramon Community Center hosted a combined 22 camps for 215 participants. Offerings included dance, theater, and music, along with new ceramics and maker camps. Additionally, a group of adults took part in the first wheel-throwing clay program in over 15 years. Participants are excited about the growing number of programs at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center.

Studio 925 Teen Camp



San Ramon's in-house teen camp, Studio 925, is a popular full-day option for parents and teens alike. Each week features a unique theme guiding adventures and field trips, including Carnival Week, Zootopia, and the Olympic Games. Teens make new friends while participating in a wide variety of activities, from fun cooking projects and creative challenges like designing their own carnival games to action-packed games like Human Battleship, team competitions, and more. In addition to the onsite activities, participants enjoy days at the San Ramon Olympic Pool and a weekly field trip. During June, Studio 925 campers went on field trips to Boomers, Oakland Zoo, and an Oakland Roots soccer game.

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June Lunch Bunch Trips

Lunch Bunch participants traveled to Elkhorn Slough for a boating adventure and Wildlife Safari, followed by delicious eats at Phil's Fish Market in Moss Landing. The travelers declared the trip a hit and loved seeing all the animals from the boat! The next week, seniors visited Mustards Grill in Napa followed by a stop at Bouchon Bakery for sweet treats to take home. Lunch Bunch trips will pause during the summer as staff evaluate the most effective and sustainable transportation options for future outings.



Summer BBQ at Alcosta Senior and Community Center

Alcosta Senior and Community Center welcomed warmer weather with a Summer BBQ. The event was held in the air-conditioned center rather than the park due to high temperatures. Over 90 participants enjoyed a freshly grilled burger meal (meat and vegetarian), along with ice cream novelties, while enjoying a live singer, Joanna Zhang. Two Senior Outreach partners joined the fun, sharing helpful information and resources with attendees. A big shout-out goes to the kitchen staff and volunteers, whose teamwork made the event a success, from prepping to grilling and serving.

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Ice Cream Social at Alcosta Senior and Community Center

Volunteers and sponsors served 111 registered participants at a 1950s-themed Ice Cream Social, helping them create their perfect ice cream sundae at Alcosta Senior and Community Center. Senior Outreach Sponsors were on hand to serve a variety of ice cream and toppings, which they also donated. In addition to enjoying their ice cream sundaes, seniors answered ice cream-themed trivia, enjoyed time with friends, and visited with the sponsors.



INCREASE CULTURAL UNITY



June Galleries

June's gallery exhibitions strengthened community connections through personal storytelling, local culture, and shared experiences. Shelley Gardner's textile works repurposed denim to honor individual histories while reflecting California's heritage and traditions of craftsmanship. Jenna Hobbs' paintings captured the sensory joy of summertime, evoking familiar landscapes and memories that resonate across the community.

Qian Gao's watercolor paintings encouraged cultural appreciation and creative engagement at the Alcosta Senior and Community Center. The Untitled Art Group Textile and Fiber Arts Exhibition highlighted collaboration, artistic diversity, and the enduring value of fiber arts. Chiachen Wang's paintings at the San Ramon Library expanded public access to art and reinforced the library's role as a community gathering place.

Together, these exhibitions celebrated local identity, creativity, and connection, fostering a stronger sense of place through accessible and meaningful artistic experiences.

June Galleries & Events

Gallery at Alcosta Senior and Community Center

Qian Gao

Lindsay Dirx Brown Gallery

Shelley Gardner

Gallery at City Hall

Jenna Hobbs

Dougherty Station Community Arts Center Gallery

Untitled Art Group

San Ramon Library Gallery

Chiachen Wang

INCREASE CULTURAL UNITY

Shows at Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center



Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center continues to provide residents with access to high-quality, live entertainment through performances by nationally touring acts, including Bruce Hornsby & The Noisemakers and Whose Live Anyway? in June. All three shows were at or near sellouts, bringing community members together to enjoy shared arts and cultural experiences close to home while also attracting visitors to San Ramon.



FACILITATE COMMUNITY PROBLEM SOLVING

June at Café Costa

On average, 39 seniors attended lunch at Café Costa each day in June. Special programming included Lunch with Law Enforcement, a visit with the San Ramon Police to discuss senior-focused issues and answer community questions. On June 17, Café Costa celebrated monthly birthday participants with festive cake and birthday goody bags from Senior Outreach Sponsors, Horizon Elder Law, and Angel's Heart.



STRENGTHEN SAFETY AND SECURITY



Terrace Patio Shade Structure Update

Public Works recently completed installing the Terrace Room patio shade structure at San Ramon Community Center. The new shade structure, combined with the storefront doors for access, enhances the Terrace Room patio and expands rental opportunities for Parks & Community Services. With only minor punch-list items remaining, the contractor will repair minor fence damage, and Public Services will modify the gate center post. Additionally, Public Services will complete lighting improvements.



STRENGTHEN SAFETY AND SECURITY



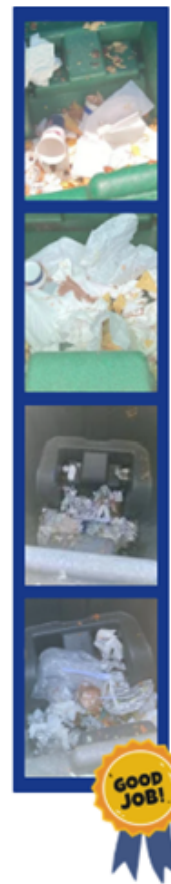
Trash Free Art & Wind Festival

At the 2026 Art & Wind Festival, the City of San Ramon continued its commitment to creating a more Trash-Free event through several waste-reduction and sustainability initiatives, including volunteer “Trash Talkers,” professional Trash-Free sorting staff, educational signage, and compostable foodware. Alameda County Industries (ACI) hosted an outreach booth where Sustainability Specialists shared waste-reduction tips and recycling education with the community. Thanks to the combined efforts of City staff, ACI staff, volunteers, vendors, and festival attendees, the event’s diversion rate increased from 64% in 2025 to 82.5% this year.



Public Works Week Picnic Highlights Trash-Free Efforts

Public Works employees celebrated National Public Works Week with an appreciation luncheon at Athan Downs Park, bringing staff together to recognize the essential services our Public Works team provides to the community every day. Through a combination of mindful planning and waste-reduction strategies, the gathering served as a successful model for the City’s commitment to sustainability and trash-free practices, generating only 10 gallons of waste. Key environmental efforts included reusable service ware, zero single-use plastics, proper waste sorting, and food waste reduction. Overall, the picnic was a meaningful way to honor our hardworking Public Works team while demonstrating how employee events can successfully champion environmental stewardship.



STRENGTHEN SAFETY AND SECURITY



Memorial Park Bench Replacement

Parks maintenance staff recently completed the installation of 14 new benches at Memorial Park. The original benches, installed before the park opened in 2004, had deteriorated over time with faded, chipped paint and exposed metal. As part of the project, staff added two backless benches positioned to provide scenic views of Mount Diablo and the Eagle Memorial. The Citywide Parks Amenities Replacement and Improvements Project funded all 14 benches.



Dougherty Valley Parks Planting

Public Services staff have been hard at work in Dougherty Valley parks, enhancing the entrances at Souyen Park, Valley View Park, and Monarch Park with new plantings and fresh mulch. Before installing the new landscape materials, staff inspected and repaired the irrigation systems to ensure they operated efficiently. These improvements create a fresh, vibrant appearance while helping keep our parks welcoming, attractive, and well-maintained for the community.

STRENGTHEN SAFETY AND SECURITY



Lifeguard Staff Training

The Aquatics team has been hard at work preparing 123 summer lifeguard staff members for a safe and successful season. Training began the day after school let out and included four days of intensive preparation for both new and returning City of San Ramon lifeguards. In-water training focused on critical skills such as water rescues, emergency response, accident prevention, and first aid. Staff also received instruction on customer service, ADA compliance, mandated reporting, workplace expectations, and risk management. In addition to strengthening individual skills, the training week helped build teamwork and communication, ensuring staff is ready to provide a safe, welcoming, and enjoyable experience for all aquatic facility guests this summer.



Athan Downs Mainline Repair

Parks Maintenance staff repaired two recycled water irrigation mainlines serving Athan Downs Park, including a 6-inch mainline and a 4-inch mainline, and installed concrete thrust blocks to help prevent future pipe movement. Cooler weather during the outage helped minimize stress to the turf while staff completed the repairs and promptly restored irrigation service to the site.



STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY IMAGE AND SENSE OF PLACE



Parks & Community Services Ultimate Rec Staff Rally

Parks & Community Services full-time staff hosted summer part-time staff for a fun, engaging recreational evening to show appreciation for their hard work in creating experiences and memories for the community. Held at Forest Home Farms, over 65 staff and their guests enjoyed time connecting with staff members from across the department – tie-dying shirts, decorating bags, playing games, and of course eating. This annual gathering brings the summer staff together to build camaraderie and strengthen their connection to the community where they live, learn, and grow.

Community Recreation Swim

Recreation Swim offers a fun, affordable way for residents to connect and stay active close to home, reinforcing San Ramon’s reputation as a vibrant, family-friendly community. Amenities such as diving boards, the Splash and Dash inflatable obstacle course, inner tubes, a play pool, and a basketball hoop make our facilities a popular destination for families, friends, and neighbors to gather and enjoy shared experiences.



SUPPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



3rd Thursday Arts & Eats at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center

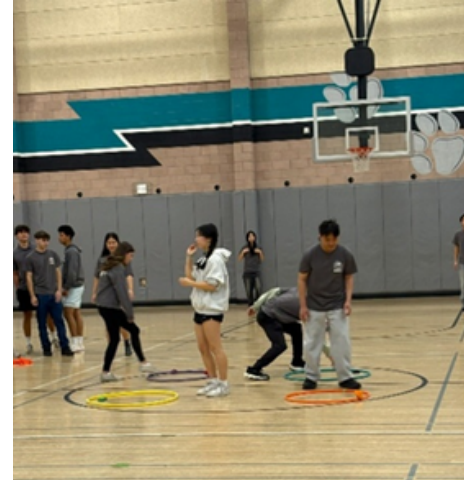
June's 3rd Thursday Arts & Eats event continued to build momentum, attracting a strong turnout of residents who enjoyed an evening of art, food, entertainment, and community connections. The event featured eight local artists, eight food trucks, a beer vendor, hands-on arts activities, and community partner booths, creating a lively and welcoming environment. Attendance increased from the first event and remained consistent throughout the evening, providing a gathering place for the community and opportunities for local artists and businesses to connect with residents. The next event is July 16.



San Ramon Chamber of Commerce Hootenanny

The Facilities team supported the San Ramon Chamber of Commerce's Annual Hootenanny, held inside the Walnut Barn at the Forest Home Farms Historic Park. The rustic barn transformed into a warm, farmhouse atmosphere for the evening as guests arrived to gingham-checked tablecloths, blue-and-white balloon clusters, and fresh floral centerpieces. The event brought together 31 local food and beverage vendors, and attendees enjoyed a live line dancing demonstration. The Facilities team ensured the entire event came together seamlessly, from setup through breakdown.

PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER



Recreation Leader Training

Before summer camps began, Parks & Community Services staff trained new Recreation Leaders to fill crucial roles in sports, youth, nature, teens, and recreation therapy programs. The new team members learned what it means to work for and represent the City of San Ramon, as well as how to be a Recreation Leader. A focus of training was designing a fun, safe environment that allows campers to create long-lasting childhood memories. By incorporating games, activities, and team-building into training, staff are prepared to engage campers and provide experiences that truly demonstrate how Parks Make Life Better.





UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4	Run San Ramon 5k/10k/Fastest Mile at Central Park
July 4	Independence Day Celebration & Concert with the Cheeseballs at Central Park
July 5	Leslie Wright Artist Reception at Alcosta Senior and Community Center
July 10	Maricris Hansen Artist Reception at City Hall Gallery
July 11	Fun on the Farm: Rug Weaving at Forest Home Farms
July 12	Summer Concert Series: Pride & Joy at Central Park
July 16	3 rd Thursday Arts & Eats at Dougherty Station Community Arts Center
July 17	Summer Dive-In Movie: Coco at San Ramon Olympic Pool
July 18	Fun on the Farm: Old Fashioned Lawn Games at Forest Home Farms
July 19	Summer Concert Series: Pop Rocks at Central Park
July 25	Fun on the Farm: Old Fashioned Ice Cream at Forest Home Farms
July 25-26	Recreation Tennis Tournament at California High School Tennis Courts
July 26	Summer Concert Series: The Purple Ones at San Ramon Central Park
August 2	Summer Concert Series: Take 2 at San Ramon Central Park
August 7	Summer Dive-In Movie: How to Train Your Dragon at San Ramon Olympic Pool

DEPARTMENT MISSION

- Provide Recreational Experiences
- Foster Human Development
- Promote Health and Wellness
- Increase Cultural Unity
- Facilitate Community Problem Solving
- Strengthen Safety and Security
- Strengthen Community Image and Sense of Place
- Support Economic Development



These items reflect how Parks Make Life Better!

Parks and Recreation make lives and communities better now and in the future by providing access to nature, outdoor space to play and exercise, free-time fun in positive spaces, and socializing and learning in a gathering place.

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