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Balboa Park Committee Members and Community Partners:

Balboa Park is a treasured public asset essential to San Diego's future, its cultural and recreational missions and historic legacy. Building a shared vision for creating an even stronger Balboa Park for future San Diegans is critical and I urge all residents of our region to share your thoughts and vision.

Towards this end, and with the support of the Office of Mayor Faulconer, Councilmember Chris Ward, and the City of San Diego's Parks and Recreation and Planning Departments, the Balboa Park Committee will embark on an important planning effort in 2020.

What is this effort trying to accomplish?

The goal of this effort is to utilize a highly inclusive, transparent process to identify the vision and values for Balboa Park, and the park's short-, medium-, and long-term capital and maintenance needs. The Balboa Park Committee wants to hear from the public to help determine the best way forward to shape the future of Balboa Park. This may include creating a roadmap for how the City should prioritize and execute future park projects, re-thinking and strengthening the processes associated with park governance, and determining the operations and maintenance needs of the park to inform a 10-year implementation strategy.

This process will start at the February 6th meeting of the Balboa Park Committee meeting at 6:00 pm in the Santa Fe Room (2150 Pan American Road West).

This meeting will seek public input on developing the scope and process of this planning effort.

Who is leading this effort?

At the initiation, the Balboa Park Committee will lead this effort with help from a City-funded facilitator and in partnership with the City.

How can I learn more information or provide feedback?

Visit <https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/general-info/boards/bpc> to submit a comment and to follow this process.

Sincerely,

Katherine Johnston
Chair, Balboa Park Committee