Parks and Recreation Department

2024 Annual Report on the City's Joint Use Program with School Districts

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What is Joint Use?

City and School District Partnerships

- Joint use provides for the shared use of the public facilities and resources.
- Includes neighborhood park amenities such as multipurpose turf field, walking track, hardcourts, play equipment, and/or off-street parking.
- Joint use facilities are utilized by the public when school is not in session and are reserved for student use during school hours.





City's Joint Use Program with Schools

Total of 105 joint use facilities, 94 with San Diego Unified Over 400 acres of recreational opportunities

- San Diego Unified School District
- Del Mar Union School District
- Poway Unified School District
- San Diego Community College District

- San Dieguito Union HS District
- San Ysidro School District
- Solana Beach School District
- South Bay Union School District



Recently opened joint use facilities

In 2024, four new or expanded JU facilities opened to the public.

Clairemont Canyons Academy Joint Use Facility

3.30 acres, multi-purpose natural turf field, walking track, hardcourts, parking lot, and shade trees.

Clairemont Community, CD 2

Spreckels Elementary School Joint Use Facility Expansion

4.99 acres, multi-purpose natural turf fields, ball infield, walking track, hardcourts, play equipment, and shade trees.

University Community, CD 6

Emerson Elementary School Joint Use Facility 1.60 acres, multi-purpose synthetic turf field, walking track, parking lot, and shade trees.

Southeastern San Diego Community, CD 8

Wangenheim Middle and Walker Elementary Schools Joint Use Facility Expansion 15.80 acres, multi-purpose natural turf fields, ball infields, walking track, comfort station/concession stand, play equipment, and shade trees.

Mira Mesa Community, CD 6



Play All Day Program with San Diego Unified

Expansion of the Joint Use Program

- Since 2016, **27** new or expanded joint use facilities with SDUSD have opened to the public.
- 10 future joint use facilities are in construction, 3 joint use facilities in design, 2 starting the public input process, and
 12 identified in planning.
- SDUSD has utilized portions of a series of voter-approved capital improvement bond measures to construct new joint use facilities at school sites throughout the District.





Joint Use Agreements

- A joint use agreement is a site-specific formal agreement between the City and School District for the shared use, maintenance and operations.
- Per the 2019 City Audit Report, all joint use agreements with SDUSD must be updated to the new approved joint use agreement template
- 68 joint use agreements with SDUSD have been updating using the new template
- 32 remaining agreements still need to be updated

DocuSign Envelope ID: D99D36D2-3AA9-49D4-9BC8-E0B85DB19AB 5-24-2022 I.31. PS22-1079-99 AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, AND USE OF PLAY ALL DAY JOINT USE FACILITIES AT ADAMS ELEMENTARY THIS AGREEMENT [Agreement] for the Construction, Operation, Maintenance and Use of Joint Use Facilities, as further described in Section 1, below, at Adams Elementary [School] is entered into this California municipal corporation [CITY], and the SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT of San Diego County, a public school district of the State of California [DISTRICT], [collectively, the "Parties", singularly "Party"] based on the following facts: RECITALS The Community Recreation Act (California Education Code sections 10900 through 10914.5) authorizes school districts and cities to organize, promote, and conduct community recreation programs and activities to promote the health and general welfare The California Civic Center Act (California Education Code sections 38130-38138) establishes a civic center at every school built with public money for use by citizens for a variety of purposes, including recreation. The governing board of any school district may grant the use of school facilities or grounds as a civic center upon the terms and conditions the board deems proper, subject to the limitations, requirements, and restrictions of the California Civic Center Act. D. California Education Code section 10905 authorizes the governing bodies to enter into agreements with each other to promote the health and general welfare of the community and to enhance the recreational opportunities afforded to the community. CITY and DISTRICT have been cooperating in the use of numerous recreational facilities beginning with the CITY-DISTRICT Recreation Agreement of September 1948. CITY desires to supplement park acreage to meet community recreational needs by using the Joint Use Area, as defined herein, and Joint Use Facilities to be constructed thereon. for recreational purposes. DISTRICT desires to assist the CITY in meeting community recreational needs by permitting CITY to use the Joint Use Facilities to be constructed on the Joint Use Area pursuant to this Agreement for CITY's recreational programs. It is to the mutual benefit of CITY and DISTRICT to contribute jointly to the establishment of recreational facilities that can serve the needs of both the general public and DISTRICT students and faculty. CITY and DISTRICT desire to establish this mutually beneficial arrangement by entering into this Agreement to provide for both Parties' educational and recreational programs. ADAMS ELEMENTARY

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Joint Use Program Financial Contributions

Parks and Recreation Department Fiscal Contributions for Joint Use

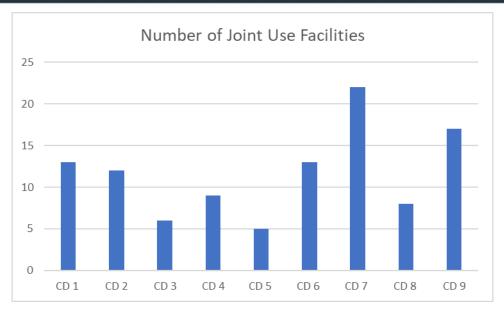
Description	Fiscal Year 2025	Fiscal Year 2026 Estimated
Number of Joint Use Sites added	4	3
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Position Adds	2	1.5
Ongoing Expense Added	\$338,305	\$319,495

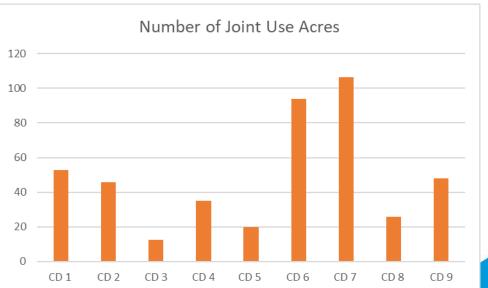
- Ongoing expenses include personnel expenses, supplies, contracts, and utilities.
- The Fiscal Year 2026 estimate is based on the draft Five-Year Financial Outlook, which anticipates several new facilities coming on-line during the outlook period. The budget is subject to change during the upcoming annual budget development process.



Joint Use Opportunities

- The City is challenged to develop new joint use facilities with school districts other than SDUSD.
- These challenges are largely financial in nature because the other school districts do not have similar capital improvement bond measures that can be used to develop new joint use fields.







Joint Use Program Issues

- This year the Department worked with school districts on issues regarding:
 - Deterring illegal dog off-leash activity on joint use fields
 - Conducting maintenance of joint use fields during school hours
 - Identifying City funding for significant onetime maintenance reimbursement expenses





Joint Use Program Goals

- Explore opportunities to expand and support the City's Joint Use Program with School Districts
- Provide annual updates and reports to City
 Council
- For additional information please visit: <u>https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/parks/jointusefacilities</u>

