

**City of Garden Grove**

**INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Matthew Fertal  
**From:** Kimberly Huy  
**Dept.:** City Manager  
**Dept.:** Community Services  
**Subject:** DOG PARK REVIEW  
**Date:** October 17, 2007

OBJECTIVE

To provide information regarding the development of a dog park.

BACKGROUND

In a March memo, staff provided information regarding three potential locations (OCTA Right-of-Way, Garden Grove Park and Village Green) and an approximate cost to construct a dog park. The cost of development would vary based on site complexities; amenities and the style of park desired. Some of the variables include irrigation and grading, perimeter fencing, landscaping either throughout or around the site, parking, pedestrian access, lighting, public utility services (electricity and/or water), drinking fountains, benches and signage. Staff estimated that the costs at the OCTA Right-of-Way would be between \$150,000 and \$200,000, and park sites would be less at approximately \$100,000.

DISCUSSION

Supervisor Janet Nguyen recently requested a list of possible capital projects (see Attachment A) from the Community Services Department. The Supervisor's staff informed the City that, although all the projects had merit, a dog park met all of the criteria of the funding, including use of funds, cost and timeliness of the project.

In anticipation of this possibility, staff surveyed cities in the County to assess what other facilities are in the area, and reviewed the previous locations outlined in the March 13, 2007 memo. The survey (see Attachment B) showed that of the 22 respondents, seven agencies have a dog park. In reviewing the locations outlined in the March memo, staff feels that all the original locations are still viable options.

SUMMARY

The information provided relates to the development of a dog park, and staff is requesting City Council direction regarding this matter.

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Director

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Attachment A: Capital Improvement List  
Attachment B: Dog Park Survey