

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4.a. Parks, Recreation & Facilities Master Plan Presentation

Richard Fisher Associates provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Parks Recreation and Facilities Master Plan (Master Plan). The presentation summarized results of surveys and community meetings held as well as recommendations received. Following the presentation the consultant addressed questions and concerns from commissioners.

Commissioners raised questions regarding irrigation at parks, lack of input from sports groups/users, prioritization of park improvements based on use without reports showing usage data, growing senior population needs, recommendations made of duplicated services offered through other organizations in the community, and the next steps for the Master Plan following this meeting and who will be accountable for accomplishing projects.

4.b. Community Services Department Upcoming Events

- The Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center Dia de los Muertos event will be on Thursday, October 24.
- Senior Center upcoming events include: Movie Day on Tuesday October 15; Monster Mash Dinner on Friday, October 18; and Halloween day event on Thursday, October 31.
- The current session of Youth Explore Archery program began Wednesday, September 4 and will end on Wednesday, October 9, the next session begins Wednesday, October 16.
- Jack O' Lantern Jamboree event will be held on Saturday, October 26 at Atlantis Play Center from 1-4PM.
- Meet on Beach event will be on Sunday, November 17 from 10AM-2PM. Garden Grove's programming will take place at Wakeham Elementary.
- The 2nd annual Winter in the Grove event will be on Saturday, December 7 from 3-7PM.

At 7:10 p.m. Commissioner No excused himself from the meeting.

4.c. Public Works Department Update

Staff reported that the Water Reservoir renovation at West Haven Park is almost complete. Fencing around the perimeter of the park will remain up until the completion of turf repairs; sports fields will remain closed until repairs are completed.

Staff are awaiting delivery of the new bleachers for the Sports and Recreation gym. Installation of bleachers will be scheduled for late December.

Another project that staff will be working on is the resurfacing of the West Grove Park playground area.

Upgrading of security lighting and light pole replacement project at City parks is close to completion.

Staff are currently working on a timeline for the Atlantis Play Center fence replacement project.

5. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

5.a. Recommend City Council Approval of the Parks, Recreation & Facilities Master Plan

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Solicos that the Parks, Recreation & Facilities Master Plan be presented and recommended for City Council approval.

The motion carried by a 5-0-2 vote as follows:

Ayes: (5) Perez, Rhee, Salicos, Solis, Stevens
Noes: (0) None
Absent (2) No, Ramirez

Commissioner Stevens expressed his content with the CPRS District 10 Senior Symposium, an event the City recently hosted. He felt it was well attended and staff did a great job with coordinating the event.

Commissioner Stevens also expressed his concern with budget issues hindering the accomplishment of the Master Plan action plan. Staff explained that there will be dedicated park funds that will assist in the accomplishment of some of the projects; some projects however will require City Council approval. Staff added the importance of the Master Plan as it becomes the official document that will help guide projects based on priority and feedback from the community, and also facilitates grant applications.

6. MATTERS FROM STAFF:

Staff reminded Commissioners to introduce themselves when attending any City events as there may be staff that are not familiar with every commissioner in the City. Staff wants to make sure that introductions are made to the community when the event includes a program.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:27 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned to Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove.

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Commission Secretary