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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: May 17, 2018

Subject

Citywide Parks and Recreation System Master Plan – Public Input Workshop

Recommended Action

Invite public input on elements of the Citywide Parks Recreation System Master Plan, including potential park and recreation improvements and concepts for renovation of Memorial Park, and provide direction.

Background and Discussion

A planning process is underway for Cupertino's citywide parks, open space and recreation system. In December 2017, the Parks and Recreation Commission ("Commission") reviewed a scoping matrix for potential major facilities that could be added to our system.

On February 28, 2018, the City Council and Commission conducted a special joint meeting and reviewed potential "big moves." "Big moves" describes community needs or desires that are major facilities or buildings, or have significant budget, staffing and spatial impacts, or involve commitments of precious park land. They include major improvements to existing parks; new or expanded buildings and facilities; land acquisition for parks, trails, and natural areas; and nature investment. The city's larger parks were evaluated for their compatibility as sites for potential "big moves."

Memorial Park is the city's largest park. It enjoys a central location and is anchored by the Quinlan Community Center, the Senior Center, and the Sports Center. It is the only venue that can host our largest festivals and special events. Given Memorial Park's unique role and setting, it is important to consider its best future role for Cupertino. It has been suggested as a location for various potential Big Moves. Attached are ideas for a range of improvements that could be considered at Memorial Park (see Attachment A). These preliminary concepts are not actual designs, nor is any of them a recommended plan. Instead they are intended to promote discussion about how Memorial Park could best serve our community. Public input on these concepts will be invited at the meeting.

Feedback will also be invited about potential Big Moves and other improvements to our recreation system. The meeting structure will include a workshop-style format and opportunity for individual input on a range of topics. The Commission's feedback and direction will be invited upon the conclusion of public input. The community input and Commission feedback will be forwarded for consideration by the City Council in June.

Fiscal Impact

None.

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Attachment:

A - Memorial Park, Conceptual Design Draft Options, May 3, 2018