



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Meeting August 6, 2020

Subject

Update on Parks and Recreation Department Strategic Plan

Recommended Action

Provide feedback and identify next steps for the Parks and Recreation Department Strategic Plan

Discussion

The Citywide Parks and Recreation System Master Plan adopted February 2020 provides a framework for establishing priorities and decision-making as the next steps of the Strategic Plan are determined. Items for consideration to guide the process are:

- Fiscal Year 2019/20 Funded Projects carried to Fiscal Year 2020/21
- Fiscal Year 2020/21 Funded Projects
- Considerations for the Strategic Plan
- Evaluating Sites for Strategic Plan Implementation
- Options for Moving Forward

Due to the impacts of COVID-19, significant reductions were made to the Capital Improvement Program. An update on the Capital Improvement Program will be provided as it pertains to the funding for the Parks and Recreation Department's outdoor spaces and facility enhancements. The Parks and Recreation Commission is being asked to provide input on the following Strategic Plan considerations:

Citywide Satellite Gardens: Identify and recommend potential sites for satellite community gardens.

Prospective Dog off Leash Area (DOLA) Locations: Identify and recommend potential sites for Dog Off Leash Areas.

Park Amenity Improvements: Identify and recommend potential sites for improved amenities such as benches, hydration stations, outdoor table tennis, cornhole, shade (structures and/or trees), pickleball striping, etc.

The Commission is being asked how best to approach the review of the large inventory of City parks. Potential ways to evaluate the parks would be by location, such as east side parks; oldest parks in the city; evaluate all parks; evaluate in specific batches; or have sub-groups evaluate parks. Input is requested so that a priority list of projects may be determined.

Sustainability Impact

No sustainability impact.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact.

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Attachments:

A– Key Opportunities Matrix

B – Park Description Matrix

C – Park and Facility Map