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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Meeting: July 1, 2021

Subject

Jollyman Dog Off Leash Area Trial Assessment Criteria.

Recommended Action

Review the criteria to assess the Jollyman Dog Off Leash Area Trial.

Discussion

At their June 3, 2021 meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission received an update on the extension of the Jollyman Dog Off Leash Area (DOLA) Trial. The Commissioners requested that staff bring the criteria for monitoring the success of the trial back to the Commission for their input. This would include clear expectations for DOLA users and a regular schedule for when the data would be collected.

In response to the Commission's input, a DOLA Observation Log (Attachment A) was created as a tool for staff to collect and maintain consistent data when monitoring the Jollyman DOLA Trial. The Observation Log elaborates on the original criteria presented to the Commission at their September 5, 2019 meeting to include the following:

- Dogs on leash outside the DOLA
- Dogs staying within the DOLA boundaries
- Co-existence with sports groups
- Co-existence with park users
- Owners cleaning up after their dogs
- Use of DOLA during scheduled hours
- Adherence to field closures
- Sustained field conditions
- Feedback from sports organizations
- Feedback from park users
- Feedback from DOLA users

The DOLA will be monitored several times a week, multiple times of the day according to a schedule internally set by City staff. Additionally, an incident log including reports

from the community, 311, Code Enforcement, the Sheriff's Office, and San Jose Animal Control will be maintained.

Sustainability Impact

No sustainability impact.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact.

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Attachments:

A – DOLA Observation Log Template