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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Meeting: September 2, 2021

Subject

Outdoor Recreation Diversity

Recommended Action

Receive a presentation on Outdoor Recreation Diversity regarding future projects and implementation and provide feedback.

Background

In February of 2020, City Council adopted the Parks and Recreation System Master Plan which will provide direction for the City and Parks and Recreation Department and improvements to the parks and recreation system through the year 2040. Within the Master Plan, 22 types of community opportunities were identified for implementation throughout the parks system, as well as short- and longer-term objectives for realizing those opportunities. Outdoor Recreation Diversity is one of these 22 community goals.

Discussion

The opportunity for Outdoor Recreation Diversity as defined in the Master Plan is to provide a broader range of outdoor recreation opportunities, including facilities that support individual and group activities, with a broad range of varied challenge levels. It also recommends diversifying facilities to appeal to Cupertino's multi-faceted population and reflect Cupertino's unique character. Potential elements which may be implemented to achieve increased outdoor recreation diversity, parameters for site selection, and short- and longer-term phasing options as outlined in the Master Plan are listed in Attachment A.

As part of the short-term phasing for Outdoor Recreation Diversity, the Master Plan calls for identifying a suitable site and implementing installation of outdoor fitness equipment. In Appendix E of the Master Plan, excerpted in Attachment B, Jollyman Park is identified as a potential site for implementation and Linda Vista Park is identified as a site for potential replacement of the existing outdoor fitness equipment. Currently, Creekside Park and Linda Vista Park are home to installations of outdoor fitness equipment.

Outdoor exercise equipment is available in a variety of styles and materials. The designs can also vary in the footprint they require, number of pieces, layout, and design.

Examples of varying styles and footprints are included in Attachment C.

Site selection for the installation of outdoor fitness equipment will be considered as part of the Park Amenities Improvement Project prioritization process and will be implemented through the City's Capital Improvement Program. Outdoor fitness equipment intended for users under 12 years of age will be considered through the Playground Replacement Project.

Sustainability Impact

No sustainability impact.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact.

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Attachments:

A – Excerpt from Master Plan Appendix F – Outdoor Recreation Diversity

B – Excerpt from Master Plan Appendix E – Jollyman and Linda Vista Parks

C – Examples of Outdoor Fitness Equipment