



Agenda Report

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Agenda Date: 9/15/2020

REPORT TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

SUBJECT

Formation of a Subcommittee for Commission Work Plan Goal - Community Park North Outreach

BACKGROUND

The Parks & Recreation Commission periodically forms subcommittees (must be less than a quorum) to address a specific topic or commission goal that requires additional work or research between the regular commission meetings. Subcommittee work falls under the Commission governance, are ad-Hoc and subject to the Brown Act. They are limited to work on a single item and are timebound, providing updates on progress at the regular commission meetings.

In FY2019/20 the Commission formed a subcommittee to support the Commission Work Plan Goal “(d) Provide leadership and guidance for a community input and outreach phase for a new 30+ acre community park in the north of the City.” The City has set aside a 34.93 acre parcel of land (APN 104-01-102), previously part of the city’s Santa Clara Golf & Tennis Club (SCG&TC) and closed landfill, for the future development of a community park. The Commission will continue planning for community outreach in FY2020/21.

DISCUSSION

In FY2019/20 the subcommittee was comprised of Commissioners Knaack, Martinez, and LaCoursiere. Commissioner LaCoursiere has completed her two four-year terms of service on the Commission; and, as of August 2020, Council has appointed new commissioners to fill the Commission vacancies.

It is advised that the Ad-Hoc sub-committee be formed for the duration of the FY2020/21 term and up to three members be solicited and appointed by the commission by consensus. This will enable work to continue on developing community input strategies and a potential schedule for the community outreach phase of community park development.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered does not constitute a “project” within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(a) as it has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item other than administrative cost and expense.

PUBLIC CONTACT

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RECOMMENDATION

There is no staff recommendation on this issue.

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