

CITY OF WALNUT
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA
WALNUT CITY HALL
21201 LA PUENTE ROAD, WALNUT
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.
2. FLAG SALUTE COMMISSIONER PEDERSEN
3. ROLL CALL COMMISSIONERS CAJULIS, LEPP, MUNGUIA, PEDERSEN & POLLALIS
4. MINUTES REGULAR MINUTES OF JULY 19, 2022
5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Any person may present public testimony at this time. If any person wishes to address the Parks and Recreation Commission on any item on the agenda or on any other matter, please present your testimony at this time, and please limit your comments to three minutes. The Commission may choose to remove the item for discussion.

The Chairperson may impose reasonable limitations on public comments to assure an orderly and timely meeting. When addressing the Commission, please write your name and address on the sheet provided on the podium.

6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
7. CONSENT CALENDAR
 - A. Parks and Maintenance Report for July & August 2022
Recommendation: Receive and file.
 - B. Administratively Approved Park Use Requests July & August 2022
Recommendation: Receive and file.
 - C. Recreation Division Activities Summary July & August 2022
Recommendation: Receive and file.
8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

9. DISCUSSION

A. Request from a Residents for a Discussion Re: Dog Park

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Park and Recreation Commission:

1. Listen to residents' input regarding locating and building a Dog Park in Walnut; and
2. Receive and file this report.

10. COMMISSION ITEMS

11. STAFF ITEMS

- A. Upcoming Recreation Programs/Events
- B. Family Festival
- C. Pickleball Update

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the Parks and Recreation Commission
of the City of Walnut

A regular meeting of the City of Walnut Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Tuesday, July 19, 2022.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by ACM-CS/PW/Rooney at 7:11 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Commissioner Munguia

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners Cajulis, Lepp, & Munguia

ABSENT: Commissioner Pedersen & Pollalis

Also present at the meeting were Assistant City Manager-Community Services/Public Works Rooney, Deputy Community Services Director Barcelo, Community Services Superintendent Bumia & Executive Assistant Vermeer.

REORGANIZATION

C/Munguia nominated C/Lepp for Chairperson, C/Cajulis seconded and a vote was taken and approved:

AYES: Cajulis & Munguia

ABSENT: Pedersen & Pollalis

ABSTAIN: Lepp

C/Lepp nominated C/Munguia for Vice Chairperson, C/Cajulis seconded and a vote was taken and approved:

AYES: Cajulis & Lepp

ABSENT: Pedersen & Pollalis

ABSTAIN: Munguia

MINUTES:

C/Munguia made a motion, seconded by C/Lepp and was carried 2-0 to approve the minutes on June 21, 2022.

AYES: Lepp & Munguia,
ABSENT: Pedersen & Pollalis
ABSTAIN: Cajulis

C/Lepp made a motion, seconded by C/Cajulis and was carried 2-0 to approve the minutes on April 19, 2022.

AYES: Lepp & Cajulis
ABSENT: Pedersen & Pollalis
ABSTAIN: Munguia

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

C/Munguia made a motion, seconded by C/Cajulis and carried 3-0, to accept items 7A – 7C under Consent Calendar as recommended.

AYES: Cajulis, Lepp & Munguia
ABSENT: Pedersen & Pollalis

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR:

DISCUSSION:

C/Munguia made a motion seconded by C/Cajulis and was carried 3-0, to have Parks and Recreation Commission to advise City Council to extend the seven day a week pilot program through December 30, 2022 and add pickleball courts to the park property located immediately east of Court C at Walnut Ranch park.

COMMISSION ITEMS:

STAFF ITEMS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Executive Assistant



AGENDA ITEM 7A

- Consent Calendar
- Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager- Community Services/Public Works

FROM: Melissa Barcelo, Deputy Community Services Director

SUBJECT: Parks Maintenance Report for July and August 2022 *MB*

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file the Parks and Maintenance Report for July and August 2022.

BACKGROUND:

This report is prepared and provided for the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and information on the current status of the maintenance and operations of the City of Walnut's Park system.

The Maintenance Division of the Community Services Department manages general park maintenance at all City parks. General maintenance is performed largely by a landscape maintenance contractor and some by the City staff. The general maintenance includes mowing, edging, hedging, pruning of shrubs and trees, as well as the monitoring of rodents and pests. It also includes irrigation audits and playground inspections. Restroom maintenance services are provided by the custodial contractor. Park restrooms are open and maintained seven days a week, with the exception of two holidays per year (Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day).

City parks with sports fields are maintained at an optimum level through the services of sports field specialists. City staff augments the maintenance services through regular inspections and audits of the fields.

City maintenance staff also performs special projects in all parks including graffiti removal and playground equipment repairs. In order to conform to California playground standards, staff performs playground inspections on a weekly basis.

Additional maintenance activities for the division in July and August included the following:

Arroyo:

- Treated for gophers during the month.

Butterfield:

- Treated for fire ants during the month.

Country Hollow:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.

Creekside:

- Treated for fire ants during the month.
- Cleared drain in men's restroom.
- Baseball Field turf on Field 1, 2 & Shetland Field, verti-cut and top dressed with sand.
- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.

Heidelberg:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.

Lemon

- Treated for fire ants during the month.
- Sprayed for weeds along the creek in the park.
- Cleared stoppage in Women's restroom sink.
- Removed graffiti during the month

Norm Ashley:

- Conducted weekly inspections of park.
- Removed broken sprinklers
- Removed broken walkway pole and light in the park.

Snow Creek

- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.
- Baseball Field, verti-cut and top dressed with sand.
- Repaired irrigation near trail.

Suzanne:

- Treated for Fire Ants during the month
- Removed graffiti during the month.
- Repaired inside and outside door locks of south Snack Bar.
- Repaired irrigation quick coupler valve on Softball Field #3.
- Jetted and cleared sewer line for north restroom building.

Walnut Hills:

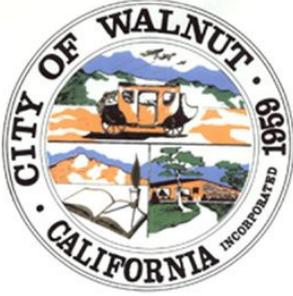
- Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Walnut Ranch:

- Replaced air conditioner at snack bar.
- Treated for Fire Ants during the month.
- Treated for gophers on soccer fields during the month.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs.



AGENDA ITEM 7B

- Consent Calendar
 Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager - Community Services/Public Works

FROM: Chris Vermeer, Executive Assistant *CV*

SUBJECT: Administratively Approved Park Use Requests – JULY & AUGUST 2022

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this informational report.

ANALYSIS:

Attached, please find a list of park use requests that were administratively approved during the months of July & August in addition, staff included requests that were administratively approved since June and have been reviewed by the Commission during previous meetings.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs.

Location	Date	Day	Start - End Time	Event	Attend/Qty
Creekside Picnic Area	Jun 1, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 02:30 PM	Picnic	130
	Jun 3, 2022	Friday	04:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Meet the Mayor	30
	Jun 11, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 01:00 PM	Picnic	25
	Jun 18, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	30
	Jun 25, 2022	Saturday	08:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Picnic	35
	Jun 26, 2022	Sunday	04:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Birthday	55
	Jul 16, 2022	Saturday	09:00 AM - 02:00 PM	Picnic	30
	Jul 24, 2022	Sunday	07:00 AM - 01:00 PM	Birthday	100
	Jul 30, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	45
	Jul 31, 2022	Sunday	07:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Internal	50
	Aug 6, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	70
	Aug 13, 2022	Saturday	02:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Birthday	20
	Aug 14, 2022	Sunday	09:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	60
	Aug 20, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 02:00 PM	Picnic	15
	Aug 27, 2022	Saturday	11:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	120
Lemon Creek Picnic Area	Jun 4, 2022	Saturday	04:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	75
	Jun 5, 2022	Sunday	03:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	30
	Jun 6, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 7, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 8, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 9, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 10, 2022	Friday	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	WVUSD - Rec Activities	80
	Jun 11, 2022	Saturday	08:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	80
	Jun 12, 2022	Sunday	01:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Jun 13, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 14, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 15, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 16, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 18, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	80
	Jun 20, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 21, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 22, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 23, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 24, 2022	Friday	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	WVUSD - Rec Activities	80
	Jun 25, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	70
	Jun 26, 2022	Sunday	12:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	100
	Jun 27, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 28, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 29, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jun 30, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	80
	Jul 2, 2022	Saturday	10:30 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	75
	Jul 3, 2022	Sunday	11:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Picnic	70
	Jul 5, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70
	Jul 6, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70
	Jul 7, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70
	Jul 10, 2022	Sunday	02:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	80
	Jul 11, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70
	Jul 12, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70
Jul 13, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70	
Jul 14, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crowdad 2022	70	
Jul 15, 2022	Friday	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	WVUSD - Rec Activities	80	
Jul 16, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	50	
Jul 17, 2022	Sunday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	40	

Lemon Creek Picnic Area	Jul 18, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 19, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 20, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 21, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 23, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	30	
	Jul 24, 2022	Sunday	08:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	80	
	Jul 25, 2022	Monday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 26, 2022	Tuesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 27, 2022	Wednesday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 28, 2022	Thursday	09:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Camp Crawdad 2022	70	
	Jul 29, 2022	Friday	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	WVUSD - Rec Activities	80	
	Jul 30, 2022	Saturday	09:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Baby Shower	65	
	Jul 31, 2022	Sunday	12:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	50	
	Aug 6, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 02:00 PM	Baby Shower	58	
	Aug 7, 2022	Sunday	03:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	50	
	Aug 13, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	75	
	Aug 14, 2022	Sunday	12:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	100	
	Aug 20, 2022	Saturday	09:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Baby Shower	50	
	Aug 21, 2022	Sunday	10:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	40	
	Aug 27, 2022	Saturday	01:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	60	
	Aug 28, 2022	Sunday	04:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Baby Shower	84	
	Snow Creek Picnic Area	Jun 11, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	50
		Jun 12, 2022	Sunday	10:30 AM - 03:30 PM	Picnic	30
		Jun 18, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	30
		Jun 25, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Birthday	50
		Jun 26, 2022	Sunday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	30
		Jul 9, 2022	Saturday	01:30 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	50
		Jul 16, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Birthday	25
		Jul 30, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	50
Jul 31, 2022		Sunday	01:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Baby Shower	25	
Aug 6, 2022		Saturday	02:00 PM - 09:30 PM	Birthday	40	
Aug 13, 2022		Saturday	08:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Picnic	35	
Aug 14, 2022		Sunday	12:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Birthday	30	
Aug 20, 2022		Saturday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	30	
Aug 21, 2022		Sunday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	25	
Aug 27, 2022		Saturday	01:30 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	55	
Aug 28, 2022		Sunday	11:00 AM - 08:30 PM	Baby Shower	30	
Suzanne Picnic Area		Jun 5, 2022	Sunday	04:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	35
	Jun 11, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Baby Shower	149	
	Jun 12, 2022	Sunday	10:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Birthday	50	
	Jun 18, 2022	Saturday	10:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	100	
	Jun 25, 2022	Saturday	01:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	75	
	Jun 26, 2022	Sunday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Baby Shower	60	
	Jul 2, 2022	Saturday	10:30 AM - 02:30 PM	Birthday	40	
	Jul 9, 2022	Saturday	01:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	25	
	Jul 10, 2022	Sunday	09:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Reunion	40	
	Jul 16, 2022	Saturday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	70	
	Jul 17, 2022	Sunday	03:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	40	
	Jul 23, 2022	Saturday	08:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Picnic	80	
	Jul 24, 2022	Sunday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	70	
	Jul 30, 2022	Saturday	09:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	55	
	Jul 31, 2022	Sunday	09:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Birthday	75	
	6-Aug-22	Saturday	10:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Reunion	120	
	Aug 13, 2022	Saturday	11:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Reunion	60	

Suzanne Picnic Area	Aug 14, 2022	Sunday	10:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Aug 20, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 04:30 PM	Birthday	50
	Aug 21, 2022	Sunday	02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	40
	Aug 27, 2022	Saturday	12:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	30



AGENDA ITEM 7C

Consent Calendar

Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Mary Rooney, Assistant City Manager - Community Services/Public Works

FROM: Jamie Bumia, Community Services Superintendent *JB*

SUBJECT: Recreation Division Activities Summary

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

This report is prepared and provided for the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and information on the Recreation Programs that occurred during the months of July and August.

SENIOR PROGRAMS:

SENIOR CURBSIDE NUTRITION LUNCH PROGRAM

Staff continues to coordinate the County Nutrition Program for older adults, which had been a congregate meal program at the Walnut Senior Center. The Grab and Go program continues to operate as a curbside pick-up on Thursdays for those who are able to pick-up their meals. Those residents who cannot leave their home continue to receive home delivered meals through YWCA. Los Angeles County has extended the curbside service to continue until further notice. We are currently serving 167 seniors.

SENIOR DINE-IN NUTRITION LUNCH PROGRAM

As of June 20, Los Angeles County has reinstated the Senior Dine-In Nutrition Lunch program. The Dine-In program is open to older adults aged 60 years and older. Currently we are serving hot meals Monday through Wednesday on a first-come first-serve basis. To participate, guest must complete an intake form, check-in opens at 10 :30 am with meals served from 11 :00 am to 12 :00 pm or until food is available.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Viva Las Vegas Dance

On Friday, August 26, the Senior Center held a Viva Las Vegas Dinner & Dance. The event featured live musical entertainment, a delicious buffet dinner, door prizes and more. The attendance for this dance was sold out at 125 guests.

OLDER ADULT CLASSES:

Heart and Soul Line Dance classes have been in full swing offering lessons twice a week. Monday classes are perfect for the working older adult and scheduled for 6pm. Thursday classes are perfect for the retired person, scheduled for the morning at 9:30 am. These classes are a perfect way to good heart health without the constant strain on joints and easy to follow. All levels are welcome and no partners necessary.

TEEN CENTER:

On August 8, the Teen Center welcomed back students for the new school year. Teens in 6th through 12th grades are able to enjoy activities including sports, crafts, board games, movies, air hockey, table tennis, foosball and pool. Homework assistance is available to those who wish. To date, we have over 300 participants enrolled in the Teen Center.

The Youth and Family Group Counseling program is conducted every Monday at 6:00 pm at the Walnut Senior Center.

SPORTS LEAGUES & CLASSES:

Open Gym hours for Table Tennis, Badminton, and Basketball are available in the morning from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Walnut Gymnasium and volleyball on Tuesdays from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Uptempo Basketball Academy held one of camp each month in July and August. The camp taught over 100 participants of all skill levels by learning drills and scrimmage games on a daily basis. Overall, they both were a huge success.

Walnut Youth Basketball (WYB) summer season ended on July 30th. WYB season is for children in grades K thru 8th, it is a co-ed league. We are excited to begin our fall season with registration taking place on September 26th.

The extended pickleball pilot program is taking place until the end of the calendar year to allow for City staff to look into options for a permanent court. The court at Walnut Ranch is slated for pickleball play seven days a week. Staff has been seeing more consistency on the weekends with community members learning and playing pick-up games of pickleball.

Pickleball Flex League has been wildly successful with community members being able to schedule games with their opponents when it is convenient for them. Teams of two have a

week to play their game to be eligible for scores. We will continue will our Flex League through the fall.

SENIOR/COMMUNITY EXCURSIONS:

Excursions are back in full swing and continue to be very popular this summer.

Senior Excursions

Gondola Getaway

Tuesday, July 12 Sold Out (44)

The Getty Center

Tuesday, August 9 Participants (43)

Smooth Summer Jazz at the Hollywood Bowl

Sunday, August 28 Sold Out (28)

Community Excursions

Hollywood Bowl Firework Spectacular

Saturday, July 2 Sold Out (28)

Laguna Beach Sawdust Art Festival

Saturday, July 23 Sold Out (44)

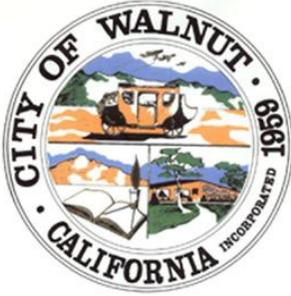
SoFi Stadium Dine & Tour

Sunday, August 14 Sold Out (44)

RECREATION CLASSES:

Webby Dance Ballet, Jazz and Hip Hop and Creative Dance, Young Rembrandts Drawing classes, Da Hula Studio, Hollywood Superstars, Hip Hop Dancers, Heart and Soul Line Dance and International Line Dance continue to held strong numbers for the beginning weeks of the fall session. Classes are offered both at the Senior Center and Gymnasium.

MR: jb



AGENDA ITEM 9A

- Consent Calendar
 Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Mary Rooney, ACM: Community Services/Public Works

FROM: Jamie Bumia, Community Services Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request From Residents for a Discussion Re: Dog Park

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission:

1. Listen to residents' input regarding locating and building a Dog Park in Walnut; and
2. Receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

In August 2022, Walnut residents, Lucy Yang and Betty Huang reached out to Council Member Freedman to discuss the possibility of adding a Dog Park in Walnut.

The Commission has considered dog park development in past years, most recently at the January 21, 2020 meeting and at the May 16, 2017 meeting. The Commission supported the idea, even including it as a proposed amenity in the Walnut Ranch Park Environmental Impact Report.

Cities develop dog parks for a number of reasons including:

- (a) Lack of yard space for dogs to run in densely populated cities,
- (b) To provide space for dogs and owners when dogs are prohibited in city parks and schools,
- (c) Lack of open space, and
- (d) Social benefits for dogs and their owners.

ANALYSIS:

Walnut currently allows dogs on leash on the over 30 miles of equestrian/hiking trails in all of the City's parks. In addition, most residents have large yards, leaving the social benefit aspect of a Dog Park as the primary driver. Like Farmer's Markets, they have become a place for community and social contact for dogs and their owners and are popular places to gather for people who love dogs.

There are key construction and operational issues that the City may consider when developing a dog park. The ideal dog park would:

1. Be at least one acre or more in size,
2. Be surrounded by a 4'-6' fence and gated (divided for large and small dogs),
3. Provide adequate shade and water for people and dogs,
4. Provide seating for pet owners,
5. Have set hours of operation,
6. Have ample parking,
7. Contain pet waste bag dispensers (bags supplied by City) and pet waste collection stations,
8. Be accessible per ADA regulations, and
9. Have low-level security lighting at night for security purposes.

One of the bigger issues with dog parks is location, both in terms of neighborhood compatibility and the fit with other park uses. First, the best locations are not adjacent to residential areas due to vehicular traffic, spillover parking, and the noise associated with barking dogs.

In addition, since there are not a large number of dog parks, they tend to attract users from surrounding communities. As such, parking is of paramount importance. Parks that have parking shortages due to existing recreation programs (e.g., Walnut Ranch Park) would have to add parking or find an alternate location.

Reported costs for construction vary depending if land acquisition is required, as well as choice of surface material (artificial turf, grass or mulch), lighting, grading, park size, irrigation requirements, storm water capture/treatment requirements, and amenities (e.g., pet waste stations and bags, drinking fountains, shade structures, benches, dog play elements).

Annual operating costs would be difficult to estimate unless a conceptual plan was determined; however, Attachment A displays basic information and estimated operational costs for three local cities that have dog parks:

1. Claremont,
2. Diamond Bar, and
3. San Dimas

Since the dog parks for the cities listed above are located in or near an existing park, these cities do not account separately some costs associated with their dog park operations such as staffing costs nor general utility costs such as electricity and/or water (irrigated turf is used). These costs are absorbed into the overall park maintenance budget.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will collaborate by encouraging open discussion.

Attachments:

- A) Dog Park Comparison

ATTACHMENT A

Dog Park Comparison

	Claremont	Diamond Bar	San Dimas
Location:	College Park (100 S. College Avenue)	Pantera Park (738 Pantera Drive)	Horsethief Canyon Park (301 Horsethief Canyon Road)
Community Support:	Friends of Pooch Park	N/A	N/A (Friends of Dog Park folded)
Size:	< 1 acre (.65 acres for large dogs, .25 acres for small dogs)	< 1 acre (.6 acres for large dogs, .25 acres for small dogs)	< 1 acre (.55 acres for large dogs, .35 acres for small dogs)
Surface:	Grass (turf, not artificial)	Wood Chips (Mulch)	Grass (turf, not artificial)
Irrigation:	Yes	No	Yes
Hours	Dawn to dusk	Dawn to dusk	Dawn to dusk
Amenities	Water stations (pets and humans), shade structures, benches, large trees, seating outside parks, separate areas for large and small dogs, pet waste stations with bags. Restroom in main park.	Water stations (pets and humans), benches, trees for shade, separate areas for large and small dogs, pet waste stations with bags, pet play equipment. Restroom in nearby main park.	Water stations (pets and humans), benches, trees for shade, separate areas for large and small dogs, and pet waste stations with bags. Restroom in nearby main park.
Est. Annual Maintenance Costs	\$35,000 annually for maintenance/supplies. Does not including water, electricity or staffing (costs absorbed in main park budget).	\$18,000 annually for maintenance/supplies (incl. \$8,000 in wood chips). Does not including electricity or staffing (costs absorbed in main park budget).	\$30,000 annually for maintenance/supplies . Does not include water, electricity or staffing (costs absorbed in main park budget).
Lighting	No	No	No
Open/Close	Park Staff	Park Staff	Park Staff
Who Cleans	Contracted landscape services company. City staff supplies	Contracted landscape services company. City staff supplies dog	Contracted landscape services company. City staff supplies dog
When Built	1996	2012	
Cost to build	Data not available	\$400,000	Data not available
General Use Criteria	No aggressive dogs, dogs in heat or puppies younger than 4 months old. No spiked collars. No unaccompanied children under 14. No spectators without dogs inside enclosures. No more than three dogs per handler. All dogs must have collars and display dog licenses on collar. No unauthorized equipment. No food of any kind (including dog treats) or glass containers.	No aggressive dogs, dogs in heat or puppies younger than 4 months old. No spiked collars. No unaccompanied children under 14. No spectators without dogs inside enclosures. No more than three dogs per handler. All dogs must have collars and display dog licenses on collar. No unauthorized equipment. No food of any kind (including dog treats) or glass containers.	No must be off leash at all times inside park. No aggressive dogs, dogs in heat or puppies younger than 4 months old. No spiked collars. No unaccompanied children under 14. No spectators without dogs inside enclosures. No more than three dogs per handler. All dogs must have collars and display dog licenses on collar. No unauthorized equipment. No food of any kind (including dog treats) or glass containers.