

CITY OF WALNUT
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA
WALNUT CITY HALL
21201 LA PUENTE ROAD, WALNUT
JANUARY 16, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.
2. FLAG SALUTE COMMISSIONER MUNGUIA
3. ROLL CALL COMMISSIONERS BRION, LEPP, MUNGUIA, PEDERSEN & POLLALIS
4. MINUTES REGULAR MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2023

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 October, November & December 2023

Recommendation: Receive and file.

B. Administratively Approved Park Use Requests October, November & December 2023

Recommendation: Receive and file.

C. Recreation Division Activities Summary October, November & December 2023

Recommendation: Receive and file.

D. Request for Use of Walnut Ranch Park by Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc. for a Charity Soccer Tournament

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission approve the request by the Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc. for use of Walnut Ranch Park from Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to conduct a charity soccer tournament.

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

9. DISCUSSION

A. Dog Park

Recommendation:

1. Conduct an open discussion regarding potential locations in Walnut for a dog park.; and
2. Receive and file this report.

10. COMMISSION ITEMS

11. STAFF ITEMS

- A. Upcoming Recreation Programs/Events
- B. Park Project Updates

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, October 17, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by C/Munguia at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Commissioner Brion

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioners Brion, Lepp, Munguia, Pedersen, & Pollalis
ABSENT: None

Also present at the meeting were Director Community Services Barcelo, Management Analyst Munoz and Executive Assistant Vermeer.

MINUTES:

C/Pedersen made a motion, seconded by C/Brion and was carried 3-0 to approve the minutes on September 19, 2023.

AYES: Brion, Pedersen & Pollalis
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Lepp & Munguia

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

C/Lepp made a motion, seconded by C/Pedersen and carried 5-0, to accept items 7A – 7C under Consent Calendar as recommended.

AYES: Brion, Lepp, Munguia, Pedersen & Pollalis
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION:

DISCUSSION:

C/Brion made a motion, seconded by C/Lepp and carried 5-0, to have staff look further into dog park locations at Snow Creek and Country Hollow Parks and solicit neighborhood input.

AYES: Brion, Lepp, Munguia, Pedersen & Pollalis
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

COMMISSION ITEMS:

STAFF ITEMS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Chairperson

ATTEST:

Executive Assistant



AGENDA ITEM 7A

- Consent Calendar
- Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: JANUARY 16, 2024

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Community Services Director *MB*

FROM: Kenny Martinez, Community Services Superintendent *KM*

SUBJECT: Parks Maintenance Report for October, November & December 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file the Parks and Maintenance Report for October, November & December 2023.

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 October, November & December 2023 included the following:

Arroyo:

- Treated for gophers throughout the Park.
- Removed graffiti throughout the Park.

Butterfield:

- Treated for gophers throughout the Park.

Country Hollow:

- Treated for fire ants throughout the park.

Creekside:

- Added 70 yards of playground chips to the playground area.
- Snack bar maintenance on the refrigerator, freezer, and ice machine.
- Rekeyed 4 new restroom doors to the current City Park keycode.
- Rekeyed 1 utility room door for the new restroom bldg.
- Trenched for and installed 310' of 3" class 315 PVC irrigation pipe for the new mainline.
- Connected the new irrigation line to the new 3" backflow.
- Installed a new 3" master valve and flow meter.
- Trenched for and installed 350' of wire for the new master valve.
- Trenched for and installed 350' of 1 1/4" electrical conduit with pull boxes for a new flow sensor.
- Installed one new 2" irrigation valve, new sprinkler heads and lateral PVC pipe for the north picnic area.
- Added 70 yards of playground chips to the playground area.

Heidelberg:

- Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Lemon Creek:

- Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Ashley:

- Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Snow Creek:

- Augured and cleared one toilet in the men's restroom.
- Cleared the men's urinal.
- The yellow gate near the scoreboard was repaired.
- Welded chain on the padlocks for the lightbox and switchgear.
- The drinking fountain behind the baseball field was repaired.

Suzanne:

- Repaired both softball scoreboards.
- A new refrigerator and ice maker were installed in the north snack bar.
- North snack bar maintenance on the freezer.
- South snack bar maintenance on the refrigerator, freezer, and ice maker.
- The rolling chain-link gate on field #3 was repaired.
- Welded chain on the padlocks for the lighting control box, softball storage door, and the 2 restroom gates.
- The faucet in the men's south restroom was repaired.

Walnut Hills:

- Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Walnut Ranch:

- The faucet in the women's restroom was repaired.
- Two toilets in the men's restroom were cleared.
- Snack bar maintenance on the refrigerator, freezer, and ice maker.

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: JANUARY 16, 2024

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Community Services Director *MB*

FROM: Chris Vermeer, Executive Assistant *CV*

SUBJECT: Administratively Approved Park Use Requests – OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

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

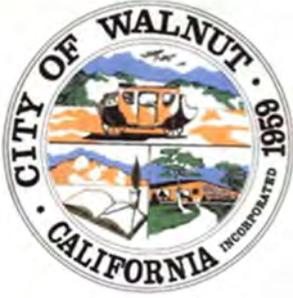
ANALYSIS:

Attached, please find a list of park use requests that were administratively approved during the month of October, November & December. In addition, staff included requests that were administratively approved since September 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 |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|------------|
| Lemon Creek Picnic Area | Sep 2, 2023 | Saturday | 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Picnic | 100 |
| | Sep 9, 2023 | Saturday | 11:00 AM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 75 |
| | Sep 10, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 02:30 PM | Picnic | 70 |
| | Sep 17, 2023 | Sunday | 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM | Baby Shower | 75 |
| | Sep 23, 2023 | Saturday | 01:00 PM - 08:00 PM | Birthday | 75 |
| | Sep 24, 2023 | Sunday | 01:00 PM - 08:00 PM | Reunion | 50 |
| | Sep 30, 2023 | Saturday | 08:00 AM - 08:00 PM | Picnic | 75 |
| | Oct 1, 2023 | Sunday | 11:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Birthday | 16 |
| | Oct 7, 2023 | Saturday | 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Birthday | 120 |
| | Oct 8, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 25 |
| | Oct 14, 2023 | Saturday | 08:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Reunion | 96 |
| | Oct 15, 2023 | Sunday | 08:00 AM - 07:00 PM | Picnic | 80 |
| | Oct 21, 2023 | Saturday | 11:00 AM - 09:00 PM | Birthday | 75 |
| | Oct 22, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 25 |
| | Oct 28, 2023 | Saturday | 07:00 AM - 07:00 PM | Birthday | 60 |
| | Oct 29, 2023 | Sunday | 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 100 |
| | Nov 4, 2023 | Saturday | 11:00 AM - 08:00 PM | Picnic | 75 |
| | Nov 5, 2023 | Sunday | 12:00 PM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 45 |
| | Nov 18, 2023 | Saturday | 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Picnic | 80 |
| | Dec 2, 2023 | Saturday | 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Picnic | 40 |
| Dec 3, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 06:30 PM | Birthday | 65 | |
| Dec 10, 2023 | Sunday | 08:00 AM - 08:00 PM | Baby Shower | 100 | |
| Dec 16, 2023 | Saturday | 02:00 PM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 50 | |
| Dec 30, 2023 | Saturday | 12:00 PM - 06:00 PM | Picnic | 80 | |
| Suzanne Picnic Area | Sep 2, 2023 | Saturday | 01:00 PM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 30 |
| | Sep 9, 2023 | Saturday | 11:00 AM - 06:00 PM | Picnic | 30 |
| | Sep 10, 2023 | Sunday | 04:00 PM - 07:00 PM | Picnic | 30 |
| | Sep 16, 2023 | Saturday | 11:00 AM - 03:30 PM | Picnic | 80 |
| | Sep 23, 2023 | Saturday | 08:00 AM - 08:00 PM | Reunion | 120 |
| | Sep 24, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 75 |
| | Sep 30, 2023 | Saturday | 03:00 PM - 07:00 PM | Picnic | 149 |
| | Oct 1, 2023 | Sunday | 12:00 PM - 03:00 PM | Birthday | 40 |
| | Oct 7, 2023 | Saturday | 10:00 AM - 08:00 PM | Reunion | 135 |
| | Oct 8, 2023 | Sunday | 01:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 25 |
| | Oct 14, 2023 | Saturday | 01:00 PM - 03:00 PM | Picnic | 30 |
| | Oct 15, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Birthday | 50 |
| | Oct 21, 2023 | Saturday | 12:00 PM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 50 |
| | Oct 22, 2023 | Sunday | 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 30 |
| | Nov 4, 2023 | Saturday | 12:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Picnic | 100 |
| | Nov 5, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 03:00 PM | Birthday | 50 |
| | Nov 12, 2023 | Sunday | 11:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Birthday | 45 |
| | Nov 18, 2023 | Saturday | 10:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 80 |
| | Nov 19, 2023 | Sunday | 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Birthday | 40 |
| | Dec 2, 2023 | Saturday | 12:00 PM - 07:00 PM | Picnic | 149 |
| | Dec 3, 2023 | Sunday | 09:00 AM - 04:00 PM | Birthday | 60 |
| | Dec 9, 2023 | Saturday | 10:00 AM - 05:00 PM | Picnic | 80 |
| | Dec 10, 2023 | Sunday | 12:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Birthday | 50 |
| | Dec 16, 2023 | Saturday | 11:00 AM - 06:00 PM | Birthday | 45 |
| | Dec 17, 2023 | Sunday | 08:00 AM - 08:00 PM | Birthday | 65 |



AGENDA ITEM 7C

Consent Calendar

Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: JANUARY 16, 2024

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Community Services Director *MB*

FROM: Jamie Bumia, Deputy Community Services Director *JB*

SUBJECT: Recreation Division Activities Summary- October/ November/ December 2023

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 October, November and December.

SENIOR PROGRAMS:

SENIOR DINE-IN NUTRITION LUNCH PROGRAM

The Senior Dine-In Nutrition program is open to seniors 60 years and older. Since the start of May, hot meals are being served Monday through Friday, on a first-come first-serve basis. To participate in this program guests must complete a YWCA intake form, check-in begins at 10:30 a.m. with meals served from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or until food is available. Average attendance: 65

SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

The City of Walnut Senior Center is now partnering with the Los Angeles County of Mental Health Department, on Mondays from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm to offer a one-hour support group for seniors allowing individuals to come together around a common activity to develop social connections. Here seniors are able to come and socialize, play games, share their stories, and explore different topics with the Department Staff and their fellow peers.

Average attendance: 15-20 participants

SENIOR SEMINARS / SPECIAL EVENTS:

Free Seminar: Self Neglect

October 10, 2023

Presented by: Foothill Family

Info: How to recognize self-neglect which put individuals' health, safety and well-being at risk and the sources available for help.

Meet & Greet: Humana Healthcare

October 11, 2023

Info: Enrollment information to Humana, a medicare healthcare plan.

Free Seminar: Every Woman Counts

October 17, 2023

Presented by: California Health Collaborative

Info: Learn how to reduce your risk of breast cancer, prevent cervical cancer and discuss recommended screenings.

Meet & Greet: Walnut Valley Water District

October 18, 2023

Info: Information regarding available services and resources.

Free Seminar: Keep Your Skeleton Strong

October 24, 2023

Presented by: Emanate Health

Info: Learn how to maintain healthy bones and reduce your risk of osteoporosis and fractures.

Meet & Greet: LAC & USC Medical Foundation

October 25, 2023

Info: Representative informing our guests about the Wellness Center in LA and what they can offer to the community.

Free Seminar: Coffee with a Cop

November 7, 2023

Presented by: Deputy McDonald and Volunteer Ann Hobbs

Info: Join the Sheriff's station for a morning of valuable information and coffee with topics that will include the Caring for Neighbors program and home safety.

Meet & Greet: A Care Home Health

November 8, 2023

Info: Representative will be present to provide our seniors with information regarding the service and resources available through their organization.

Free Seminar: Understanding Elder Abuse & Safety

November 14, 2023

Info: Seniors are vulnerable to scams, neglect and abuse. Join Asian Americans for Justice for a seminar on how to protect yourself.

Meet & Greet: Walnut Valley Water District

November 15, 2023

Info: The Walnut Valley Walnut District will be available to provide with valuable information regarding available services and resources.

Free Seminar: How Do Drug Plans Work on Medicare

November 21, 2023

Info: Join Eminate Health and learn how drug programs work on the Medicare Advantage Prescription program.

Free Seminar: Living Benefits & Tax Advantage

November 28, 2023

Info: Presented by Ivy Ensures. Come and learn valuable financial planning information

Meet & Greet: Eminate Health

November 29, 2023

Info: Come and meet representatives from Eminate Health and learn about the services and resources available through their organization.

Free Seminar: How to Obtain Part B Under Medicare

December 5, 2023

Info: Presented by Emanate Health. Come and learn what Part B under Medicare covers and how to secure it for yourself.

Meet & Greet: Walnut Valley Water District

December 6, 2023

Info: The Walnut Valley Walnut District will be available to provide with valuable information regarding available services and resources.

Special Events:

Boo Bop Dinner and Dance

The Boo Bop Dinner and Dance was held at the Walnut Senior Center on Friday, October 20, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This event was to celebrate the upcoming holiday, Halloween. Costumes were highly recommended for participant to wear. An delicious dinner was served by Sweet Kiss Mariss, with a disc jockey providing musical entertainment from DJ Oso. A costume contest, candy game and opportunity drawing was held at the event.

Free Flu Shot Clinic

The Annual Free Flu Shot Clinic was held on Tuesday, November 14 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. The Los Angeles County Health Department issued 100+ free flu shots and Covid vaccinations.

OLDER ADULT CLASSES:

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Heart and Soul Line Dance classes started 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 partner is necessary.

Zumba Gold classes are now being offered at the Senior Center on Mondays from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm. Zumba Gold is a lower impact dance class designed with seniors in mind. This fun and social class will teach different types of Latin and international dances. This class provides simple to follow Zumba choreography that promotes balance, range of motion, posture strengthening and coordination.

GROW GROUP COUNSELING

The Senior Group GROW Group Counseling program has continued to be in person, since the transition of the virtual forum. GROW meets the first Friday of every month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Participants ages 55 and older are welcome and encouraged to learn new skills that will allow them to GROW.

TEEN CENTER:

The Teen Center is open from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm for teens in 6th through 12th grades. They 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 and new this year the Teen Center's Computer lab reopened with 10 new computers for the teens to utilize for homework and games. Teen Center membership for the school-year will be \$120 for the year or \$75 for each semester. Currently there are 206 Teen Center members registered.

The ever so popular Special Day treats continued through the remainder of the Fall Session. A new thing added in October to the Snack Bar was 'Limited Edition' items, which were speciality items or those that staff thought members would like to test run the popularity before they purchase in bulk for the remainder of the school year.

The return of Teen Friday Nights (TFN's) continued through the fall. In October we were to have a Monster Mash Dance but due to low enrollment we had to cancel it. Instead we were able to have the DJ and do all the activities planned for the dance on Halloween in the Teen Center. Members got to dance to the latest hits and games such as Best Zombie Walk and

Best Scream were played. The third of Teen Friday Nights (TFN's) of the semester occurred in November. Teens went on an Excursion to Lost Worlds Laser Tag where they got to play three games of laser tag and had a pizza dinner at the Teen Center prior to leaving to Lost Worlds. Staff is preparing for the second semester of school and upcoming TFN's.

Youth and Family Group Counseling

This program is conducted every Monday at 6:00 pm at the Walnut Senior Center.

AQUATICS:

The Recreation Division Sharks Swim Team began their Fall Conditioning practices September 11th; practices are held Monday through Wednesdays from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. The Sharks Swim team conditioning program allows participants from the summer swim team and new possible members to work on their strokes and fitness in the off season of competition. On November 4th to conclude the program they held an inter-squad meet to test the progress of their times over the last two months.

SPORTS LEAGUES & CLASSES:

Open Gym hours for Table Tennis, Badminton, and Basketball are available in the morning from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Walnut Gymnasium and volleyball on Tuesdays from 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm. Additional hours for those activities have been added on to Saturdays and were open until November.

Uptempo Basketball Academy held the two camps during the Fall; one in November of the Thanksgiving break and one in December prior to the holidays. The November camp was held November 23 - 25 and hosted 46 participants. The second camp was held December 21-22 and hosted 43 participants. The camp ran from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and participants were engaged in multiple skill learning drills and scrimmage games on a daily basis.

WALNUT YOUTH BASKETBALL (WYB)

Walnut Youth Basketball (WYB) fall season started registration on September 25th for Walnut residents and will open October 2nd for non-residents. Practices for the 26 teams we have for children in grades K thru 8th began in November and games began December 9, 2023.

THE ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE (ABL)

The Fall ABL for Wednesday and Thursday began in September and ended in December with 16 teams playing on Wednesday and 14 teams on Thursday including 6 all female teams. With the popularity of the Ladies league on Thursdays we will continue that in the next season in 2024.

SENIOR/COMMUNITY EXCURSIONS:

| <u>Senior Excursions:</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Participants</u> |
|---|-------------|---------------------|
| Old World Village Oktoberfest | October 11 | 44 (FULL) |
| Los Angeles Farmer's Market & The Grove | October 24 | 44 (FULL) |
| Julian Gold Mine | November 7 | 44 (FULL) |
| Cruise of Lights & Dinner | December 16 | 40 (FULL) |

| <u>Community Excursions:</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Participants</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Country Music Pumpkin Patch | October 7 | 30 (FULL) |
| Beauty and The Beast Live on Stage | October 21 | 31 (FULL) |
| Christmas Nights at 123 Farms | December 2 | 44 (FULL) |

RECREATION CLASSES:

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

CITY-WIDE SPECIAL EVENTS:

Breakfast with Santa

The Breakfast with Santa was held on Saturday, December 9, at the Senior Center from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Breakfast with Santa provided families an event at which to spend some quality time together during the holiday rush. A hearty breakfast was catered by Da Hula Studio. The morning topped off with a special visit from Santa. Participants also received a keepsake as a souvenir. There were a 100+ participants for this event.

Community Holiday Dinner and Dance

On Friday, December 15, the Senior Center held its annual Community Holiday Dinner and Dance party. The 141 participants were treated to delicious food, live entertainment, games and prizes. Catering services were provided by Tiscarenos Catering; live entertainment from Chico Band and a special visit from Santa.

Santa Visits

Santa Visits were held on December 16 & 17, at the Senior Center from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Santa Visits gave families an opportunity to have their own personalized experience with the jolly man himself. Groups partook in numerous activities lead by our own City Staff, as well as, had memorable holiday experience with their visit, that included, hot cocoa, a story and Santa's Gift Delivery.



AGENDA ITEM 7D

- Consent Calendar
 Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: JANUARY 16, 2024

TO: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Community Services Director *UB*
Jamie Bumia, Deputy Community Services Director *JB*

FROM: Chris Vermeer, Executive Assistant

SUBJECT: Request for Use of Walnut Ranch Park by Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc. for a Charity Soccer Tournament

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission approve the request by the Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc. for use of Walnut Ranch Park from Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to conduct a charity soccer tournament.

BACKGROUND:

Htai Wai, representing Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc., has requested the use of Walnut Ranch Park on Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to conduct a charity soccer tournament. The applicant has indicated that approximately 300 persons are anticipated to attend the event. Serenity Infant Care homes, Inc. has historically been approved for this event and has complied with all rules and regulations.

ANALYSIS:

Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc. is a non-resident organization that serves the City of Walnut. Many families in Walnut care for foster children from Serenity Infant Care in their homes. Staff has reviewed the application and found that it meets the requirements for use of the fields and facilities. Serenity Infant Care Homes, Inc. has indicated they will provide custodial services for the event. Staff will notify the Sheriff's Department of the event to ensure traffic is monitored.

PR Report

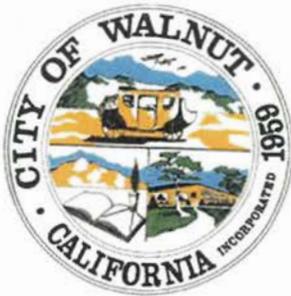
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RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs to our park using residents.



AGENDA ITEM 9A

- Consent Calendar
 Discussion

WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: JANUARY 16, 2024

To: Parks and Recreation Commission
VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Community Services Director *MB*
FROM : Jamie Bumia, Deputy Community Services Director *JB*
Corinne Munoz, Management Analyst *CM*
SUBJECT: Discussion Continuation Re: Dog Park

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission:

1. Conduct an open discussion for a Community Workshop in Walnut to gather information from the public for a dog park and confirming potential locations; and
2. Receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission has considered dog park development in past years, most recently in October 2022 and January 2020. The Commission has supported the idea, even including it as a proposed amenity in the Walnut Ranch Park Expansion Environmental Impact Report.

At the August 15, 2023 Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, Mayor Pro Tem, Linda Freedman requested the Commission to revisit the topic of a dog park and discuss the feasibility of constructing one in Walnut. Staff was directed to come back to the Commission with specific information regarding a dog park in the City of Walnut.

ANALYSIS:

At the previous Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting on October 17, 2023 Staff discussed four (4) potential sites with the Commission:

1. North 40 located at Walnut Ranch Park
2. Country Hollow Park
3. Snow Creek Park
4. Suzanne Park

While discussing the site(s) and other related factors, it was recommended by the Commission to host a Community Workshop to receive input from the residents of Walnut regarding a potential Dog Park.

As such, Staff is proposing to host a Community Workshop in conjunction with the February Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting. Staff would further promote the Community Workshop meeting at our 65th Birthday Bash to be held on Saturday, January 20, 2024.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will collaborate by encouraging open discussion.