



# **PARKS, ARTS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: May 26, 2022

ITEM NUMBER: MR- 2

**SUBJECT: PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**DATE: JUNE 23, 2022**

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## ❖ **Animal Care Services**

| Services                       | Jan. 2022 | Feb. 2022 | Mar. 2022 | April 2022 | May 2022 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|
| Impounded animals              | 29        | 34        | 38        | 58         | 40       |
| Returned to owner              | 10        | 9         | 19        | 20         | 8        |
| Transferred to adoption center | 24        | 13        | 11        | 23         | 22       |
| Adopted                        | 7         | 10        | 15        | 15         | 21       |
| Animal License Issued/Renewed  | 268       | 226       | 303       | 237        | 279      |

## ❖ **Arts in Costa Mesa**

- **ARTventure**
  - o Tentative event date: Middle of September 2022
  - o Call to artists is open until July 22, 2022
  - o New location to be at the Samueli Theater at the Segerstrom Center for the Arts
- **Exhibit Spaces**
  - o New online application
  - o First week in July will have new exhibits in all three spaces:
    - Youth Art Gallery: Waldorf School of Orange County
    - The Exhibit: Ana Paula Lima
    - Art on the Fifth: Gabrielle McLean
- **Public Art**
  - o Service Agreement has been signed with Arts OC
    - Implementation to begin in the upcoming weeks
  - o Permanent Butterfly Garden Art at Marina View Park
- **Utility Art Box Program**
  - o Two (2) new Utility Art Boxes are up
    - **Box 5** on Park Ave. & 19<sup>th</sup> St. **Organization:** City of Costa Mesa-City Manager's Office
    - **Box 51** on Newport Blvd. & Bay St. **Organization:** Historic Preservation Committee
  - o Three (3) boxes are pending, but have been approved by the Cultural Arts Committee
  - o New Utility Art Box Program Handbook is complete and on the City's website

## ❖ **Community Gardens**

| Garden Location | Parcel Quantity | Parcels Rented | Waitlisted |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|
| Del Mar         | 57              | 57             | 73         |
| Hamilton        | 42              | 42             | 26         |

## ❖ **Costa Mesa Senior Center**

- The monthly newsletter is mailed out to over 1,700 members each month
- On May 4, the Senior Center held its Mother's Day Celebration. Participants enjoyed crepes and mock-tails from Crepes Bonaparte and bacon, eggs, and potatoes from Toast Kitchen + Bakery. Music was provided by cellist Kezia Montes and a photo booth by Amazing Moments to remember this special day.

| Senior Programs              | Jan. 2022 | Feb. 2022 | Mar. 2022 | Apr. 2022 | May 2022 |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Meals on Wheels OC - Meals   | 6,516     | 6,003     | 8,004     | 6,882     | 7,692    |
| Meals on Wheels OC - Seniors | 1,436     | 1,333     | 1,772     | 1,588     | 1,723    |
| Second Harvest Grocery Boxes | 280       | 280       | 280       | 280       | 280      |
| Wellness Calls               | 1,450     | 1,136     | 1,387     | 1,072     | 981      |
| Transportation Program Trips | 509       | 602       | 790       | 702       | 628      |

## ❖ **Downtown Recreation Center**

| Gym Programs | Pickleball | Youth Open Gym | Basketball | Volleyball |
|--------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|
| Participants | 93         | 46             | 15         | 80         |
| Visits       | 341        | 107            | 25         | 140        |

## ❖ **Downtown Aquatic Center**

| Aquatics Programs           | Dec. 2021 | Jan. 2022 | Feb. 2022 | Mar. 2022* | Apr. 2022 | May 2022 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|
| Adult Lap Swim Participants | 64        | 58        | 55        | 90         | N/A       | N/A      |
| Total Lap Swim Visits       | 218       | 236       | 227       | 167        | N/A       | N/A      |

*\*The pool has been closed since March 17 for the replaster project*

## ❖ **Contract Classes**

| Enrollment            | Jan. 2022 | Feb. 2022 | Mar. 2022 | Apr. 2022 | May 2022 |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Youth & Adult Totals: | 118       | 113       | 223       | 239       | 156      |

## ❖ **Fairview Park**

- The City hosted its "Second Saturday" restoration day on Saturday, June 11, in partnership with Fairview Park Alliance, with approximately 12-15 members of the public.

## ❖ **Adult Sports**

- Adult Sports
  - o Adult Softball League – Operated by Major League Softball
    - Spring 2022 Season began February 1 with 73 teams
  - o Adult Basketball League – Operated by City Staff
    - Season began April 25 with 5 teams
- Field Permits
  - o Fall Allocation Meeting was held June 8

| Field Usage | # of Organizations | Hours  |
|-------------|--------------------|--------|
| Spring      | 61                 | 10,438 |

## ❖ **Park Reservations**

| May 2022      |                |               |                |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Park Location | Permits Issued | Park Location | Permits Issued |
| Brentwood     | 1              | Smallwood     | 2              |
| Del Mesa      | 8              | TeWinkle      | 22             |
| Estancia      | 7              | Vista         | 2              |
| Heller        | 4              | Wakeham       | 10             |
| Shiffer       | 8              |               |                |

## ❖ **Events**

- Spring Bark Bash - May 21 at TeWinkle Park
  - o Animal Care services hosted its spring pet event in partnership with Priceless Pets Rescue and the Newport Center Animal Hospital
  - o The event consisted of pet adoptions, pet vendor fair, vaccine clinic, demonstrations by the Costa Mesa Police Department K-9 Unit
  - o The event drew more than 300 people in attendance throughout the event
  - o There were six confirmed adoptions and two dogs that entered into foster care through a couple in attendance
  - o There were 17 vendors and animal rescues in attendance
- The Lions Club hosted the Fish Fry the weekend of June 3-5. The event was a success, with many positive comments made from the Lion's Club, the City Council, and members of the community. Thank you to all the Department staff that helped bring the event back to Lion's Park.
- The Pilot Cup held its first tournament since before the pandemic. This year's tournament was hosted by Costa Mesa United. Current United president Brett Eckles reported a successful event, with hundreds of teams and thousands of players participating throughout the City. The final games were held on Sunday, June 5, at the Jack Hammett Sports Complex. Thank you to Costa Mesa United, NMUSD, AYSO, and all City staff that helped make this event such a success!

## ❖ **Youth Programs**

- **L.E.A.P. Program**
  - o Fee-based program ended May 27, 2022
  - o Held at Balearic Community Center in 2 classrooms

| Age (Days)           | Capacity | Enrolled |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| 4-5 year old (M/W/F) | 40       | 22       |
| 3-4 year old (T/Th)  | 40       | 22       |

- **Teen Program**
  - o Free afterschool care for 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades from August 23, 2021 – June 9, 2022
  - o Teen Centers located at TeWinkle Middle School and Downtown Recreation Center
  - o Offers transportation from Ensign Inter./Newport Harbor HS to DRC Teen Center
    - DRC = 19
    - TeWinkle = 23
    - Shuttle/Van pickup to DRC = 6

- **Youth Sports – Volleyball**

- o Volleyball program time frame: March 28 – May 28, 2022
  - Registration began February 14, 2022

| Divisions / Grade level                    | Volleyball |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|
| A. 6 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 20         |
| B. 4 <sup>th</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade | 28         |
| C. 1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade | 40         |

- **R.O.C.K.S Afterschool Program**

- o Fee-based program from August 23, 2021 – June 10, 2022
- o Held at 9 NMUSD elementary schools
- o Capacity limits may vary per session

| School Site  | Capacity | Enrolled |
|--------------|----------|----------|
| Adams        | 40       | 40       |
| California   | 55       | 55       |
| College Park | 40       | 40       |
| Davis Magnet | 75       | 75       |
| Killybrooke  | 40       | 40       |
| Paularino    | 40       | 40       |
| Sonora       | 40       | 40       |
| Victoria     | 40       | 40       |
| Whittier     | 40       | 40       |

- ❖ **Special Event Permits**

| 2022 Permits                           |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| Total Permits Issued as of May 2022    | 15 |
| Permits at City Facilities             | 9  |
| Permits at Private Commercial Property | 6  |
| Pending Permits                        | 8  |

- ❖ **Capital Project Updates**

- The Jack Hammett Sports Complex project is nearing completion. Major components, like the parking lot slurry seal and storage building are now finished. Landscaping is in the final stages, with all of it scheduled for completion on or before the Commission meeting date. Parking lot striping will also be completed in the next week or two. Many of the storage containers have been unloaded and removed, with the remaining ones on the schedule for removal. The Chargers have started with field preparations, so between the construction, field maintenance, and Chargers activity, the facility is quite busy. Staff are looking to schedule a small ribbon cutting event once the project is complete. Commissioners will be invited to attend, so keep an eye out for an invitation.
- The Tanager Park Playground and Exercise Area projects started construction on May 23. Concurrently maintenance staff have been working on improvements to the volleyball courts, including the installation of a concrete mow curb around the sand volleyball court, and the additional concrete needed for the pickleball courts. The projects are scheduled for completion in early July, so once again keep an eye out for an invitation once the details are confirmed.
- Public Services staff are currently finalizing the schedule for the playground equipment replacement at Jordan Park.

- The Norma Hertzog Center patio project is currently in the final phases as well. Staff hope to begin rental of the facility in July.

| Upcoming Events                    | Dates                   | Location                  |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Movie in the Park – The Karate Kid | June 18, 2022           | Balearic Park             |
| Independence Day Celebration       | July 3, 2022            | Orange County Fairgrounds |
| Concert in The Parks               | July 12, 19, & 26, 2022 | Fairview Park             |
| Movie in the Park – <i>Sing 2</i>  | July 23, 2022           | Balearic Park             |