



PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES

COMMISSION REPORT

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 10, 2023

ITEM NUMBER: MR – 2.1

SUBJECT: DIRECTOR'S REPORT – JUNE/JULY 2023

DATE: August 7, 2023

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❖ **Animal Care Services**

| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | April | May | June | July |
|--------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|------|------|
| Impounded animals | 47 | 33 | 37 | 44 | 47 | 59 | 48 | 45 |
| Returned to owner | 11 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 9 | 8 |
| Transferred to adoption center | 34 | 26 | 9 | 24 | 37 | 23 | 36 | 24 |
| Adopted | 39 | 7 | 7 | 17 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 35 |
| Animal License Issued/Renewed | 201 | 249 | 211 | 251 | 234 | 251 | 235 | 239 |

- Priceless Pet Rescue – Microchip Clinic
 - The City of Costa Mesa partnered with Priceless Pet Rescue to host a microchip clinic on Saturday, June 24, from 4pm-6pm located at The Orphanage – Priceless Pet Rescue (Costa Mesa) where free microchips were offered to City of Costa Mesa residents in anticipation for the Independence Day Holiday. The event was successful and a total of 26 pets were successfully microchipped at this event.

❖ **Community Gardens**

| Garden Location | Parcel Quantity | Parcels Rented | Waitlisted |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|
| Del Mar | 57 | 57 | 86 |
| Hamilton | 42 | 42 | 23 |

❖ **Contract Classes**

| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | April | May | June | July |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|------|------|
| Youth & Adult Totals: | 84 | 205 | 183 | 366 | 590 | 407 | 348 | 598 |

- New summer classes include: Cheernastics & Dance, Coding Camps: Modding with Minecraft Intro to Roblox Development, LEGO Python Engineers, eSports Camps: Rocket League Bootcamp, Fortnite Training Camp
- New classes July: Jr. Makers with Microcontrollers, eSports Camp: Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Camp, Overwatch 2 Training Camp, League of Legends Camp

❖ **Costa Mesa Senior Center**

- The July monthly newsletter was mailed to 2,684 members. This is an increase of 290 members from June 2023.
- The Costa Mesa Senior Center hosted Father's Day Bingo and Brunch on Friday, June 16. Seniors and their families enjoyed delicious sandwiches and treats before playing exciting rounds of bingo. The event celebrated fathers and created lasting memories for everyone involved.

- On June 28, seniors kicked off Independence Day at the Costa Mesa Senior Center The event featured Sweet Lou's BBQ catering, entertainment by guitarist Ken Earnest, Fun Photos photobooth, engaging games, and exciting raffle prizes. Seniors were delighted to have CMPD, CMFD, and directors Steve Fly and Jason Minter serve them and take photos.
- To commemorate National Ice Cream month, the Senior Center filled up their drop-down freezer with ice cream for seniors to enjoy a cold sweet treat on their way to their favorite activity.

| Senior Programs | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | April | May | June | July |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Meals on Wheels OC - Meals | 3,091 | 2,450 | 3,023 | 3,465 | 3,836 | 3,459 | 4014 | 3,196 |
| Meals on Wheels OC - Seniors | 1,287 | 1,085 | 1,405 | 1,724 | 1,879 | 1,682 | 1997 | 1,609 |
| Second Harvest Grocery Boxes | 141 | 110 | 255 | 280 | 246 | 258 | 390 | 134 |
| Wellness Calls | 1,168 | 1,066 | 1,457 | 1,288 | 1,412 | 1,321 | 759 | 1,264 |
| Transportation Program Trips | 727 | 553 | 758 | 842 | 1,169 | 1,122 | 1,000 | 1,164 |

❖ Downtown Recreation Center

| June | | | | |
|--------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|
| Gym Programs | Pickleball | Youth Open Gym | Basketball | Volleyball |
| Participants | 135 | 128 | 37 | 105 |
| Visits | 678 | 228 | 49 | 163 |
| July | | | | |
| Gym Programs | Pickleball | Youth Open Gym | Basketball | Volleyball |
| Participants | 135 | 108 | 20 | 114 |
| Visits | 603 | 208 | 46 | 183 |

❖ Downtown Aquatic Center

| 2022 Aquatics Programs | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | April | May | June | July |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|------|-------|
| Adult Lap Swim Participants | 112 | 81 | 88 | 92 | 124 | 128 | 177 | 456 |
| Total Lap Swim Visits | 249 | 341 | 305 | 350 | 561 | 458 | 510 | 893 |
| Instructional Class Participants | 0 | 0 | 10 | 52 | 64 | 122 | 293 | 427 |
| Instructional Class Attendance | 0 | 0 | 33 | 200 | 442 | 562 | 688 | 1,667 |

❖ Facility Rentals

| June | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Facility | Non-Profit | Private Resident | Private Commercial | Non-Resident Commercial |
| DD Library – Adams Room | - | - | - | 2 |
| BCC | - | 1 | - | - |
| DRC - Gym | 4 | - | - | - |
| NHCC | 5 | 3 | - | - |
| July | | | | |
| Facility | Non-Profit | Private Resident | Private Commercial | Non-Resident Commercial |
| DD Library – Adams Room | 4 | - | - | - |
| BCC | - | 1 | - | - |
| DRC - Gym | 4 | 1 | - | 1 |
| NHCC | 3 | 3 | - | - |

❖ **Fairview Park**

- The City hosted its *Second Saturday* restoration day on Saturday, July 8, in partnership with the Fairview Park Alliance. The focus for the day was the vernal pool 5/6/7 watershed buffer area.
 - ~15 volunteers members of the public in attendance to support non-native plant removal activities. The next *Second Saturday* restoration day is scheduled for Saturday, August 12. In addition to volunteer support with weed removal in the buffer area, City staff and contractors continue with site maintenance and watering of the new plantings.
- The City has partnered with the Banning Ranch Conservancy in hosting additional monthly restoration days on the 3rd Saturday of each month. These 3rd Saturday Restoration days focus on the coastal sage scrub areas in the upper canyon. On Saturday, July 15, volunteers from the Banning Ranch Conservancy assisted in non-native plant removal activities.
- In June, the consultant for the Master Plan update, MIG, kicked off the Community Outreach phase of the project by meeting with the Fairview Park Steering Committee. The next step in this phase is a general community outreach meeting tentatively scheduled on Thursday, August 31. The meeting will be held at 6:00 pm at the Norma Hertzog Community Center, 1845 Park Ave, Costa Mesa.

❖ **Adult Sports**

- **Adult Sports – June**
 - Adult Softball League – Operated by Major League Softball
 - Summer 2023 Season began May 22 – July 17 with 66 teams and a total 657 participants enrolled.
 - Adult Basketball League – Operated by City Staff
 - Spring 2023 Season began April 10 – June 19
 - Monday nights were enrolled with 7 teams and Wednesday nights were enrolled with 8 teams with a total 192 participants enrolled.
 - Senior Softball League – Operated by City Staff
 - Spring 2023 Season began February 1 to August 6 with a total of 24 participants enrolled.
- **Adult Sports – July**
 - Adult Softball League – Operated by Major League Softball
 - Summer 2023 Season began May 22 – July 17 with 66 teams and a total 657 participants enrolled.
 - Adult Basketball League – Operated by City Staff
 - Spring 2023 Season began April 10 – June 19
 - Monday nights were enrolled with 6 teams and Wednesday nights were enrolled with 6 teams with a total 125 participants enrolled.
 - Senior Softball League – Operated by City Staff
 - Spring 2023 Season began February 1 to August 6 with a total of 24 participants enrolled.

- **Fields**

| Field Usage | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | April | May | June | July |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| # of Organizations | 45 | 45 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| Hours | 8,648 | 7,705 | 14,241 | 24,385 | 26,027 | 77,983 | 26,124 | 11,265.75 |

❖ Park Reservations

| June 2023 | | | |
|---------------|----------------|--|---------------|
| Park Location | Permits Issued | | Park Location |
| Del Mesa | 5 | | Shiffer |
| Estancia | 9 | | TeWinkle |
| Heller | 5 | | Vista |
| Marina View | 1 | | Wakeham |
| July 2023 | | | |
| Park Location | Permits Issued | | Park Location |
| Brentwood | 1 | | Shiffer |
| Canyon | 1 | | Smallwood |
| Del Mesa | 6 | | TeWinkle |
| Estancia | 4 | | Vista |
| Fairview | 1 | | Wakeham |
| Heller | 6 | | |

❖ Youth Programs

• Summer Camp Costa Mesa

- Fee-based program during NMUSD's summer recess
- Held at Estancia Park
- Registration began on May 8, 2023

| Week # | Capacity | Enrolled |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1 (June 12-June 16) | 90 | 90 |
| 2 (June 19-June 23) | 90 | 90 |
| 3 (June 26-June 30) | 90 | 90 |
| 4 (July 3-July 7) | 90 | 74 |
| 5 (July 10-July 14) | 90 | 70 |
| 6 (July 17-July 21) | 90 | 81 |
| 7 (July 24-July 28) | 90 | 71 |
| 8 (July 31-August 4) | 90 | 81 |
| 9 (August 7-August 11) | 90 | 90 |

• Camp Mini Explorers

- Fee-based program from June 12, 2023-July 21, 2023
- Held at Balearic Community Center in 2 classrooms
- Registration began on May 8, 2023

| Age (Days) | Capacity | Enrolled |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| 4-5 year old (M/W/F) | 40 | 40 |
| 3-4 year old (T/Th) | 40 | 35 |

• R.O.C.K.S Afterschool Program

- Fee-based program from August 22, 2022 – June 9, 2023
- Registration open now for nine (9) NMUSD school sites
 - No enrollment capacity

- **Summer R.O.C.K.S**

- Free resident summer program from June 12, 2023 – August 18, 2023
- Held at Balearic Community Center and Downtown Recreation Center
- Registration began on May 8, 2023

| Balearic Community Center | Enrolled |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Session 1 (June 12-July 14) | 307 |
| Session 2 (July 17-August 11) | 305 |
| Session 3 (August 14-August 18) | 285 |
| Downtown Recreation Center | Enrolled |
| Session 1 (June 12-July 14) | 95 |
| Session 2 (July 17-August 11) | 109 |

- **Teen Program - June**

- Free afterschool care for 7th - 12th grades from August 22, 2022 – June 8, 2023
- Teen Centers at TeWinkle Middle School and Downtown Recreation Center (DRC)
- Offers shuttle transportation from Ensign Inter./Newport Harbor High School to the DRC Teen Center and Save Our Youth (SOY)

| Program Location | Students |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Downtown Recreation Center (DRC) | 20 |
| TeWinkle Middle School | 99 |
| Shuttle Service | Students |
| Downtown Recreation Center (DRC) | 18 |
| Save Our Youth (SOY) | 3 |

- **Teen Camp**

- Fee-based program during NMUSD's summer recess
- Held at Downtown Recreation Center
- Registration began on May 8, 2023

| Week # | Capacity | Enrolled |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1 (June 12-June 16) | 27 | 18 |
| 2 (June 19-June 23) | 27 | 15 |
| 3 (June 26-June 30) | 27 | 21 |
| 4 (July 3-July 7) | 27 | 22 |
| 5 (July 10-July 14) | 27 | 21 |
| 6 (July 17-July 21) | 27 | 25 |
| 7 (July 24-July 28) | 27 | 27 |
| 8 (July 31-August 4) | 27 | 27 |
| 9 (August 7-August 11) | 27 | 27 |

- **Youth Sports – Happy Feet Running Club**

- Free program teaching short and long-distance running techniques
- Practices held at Balearic and Fairview Parks
- Season: June 14 – August 5, 2023
 - Registration began on May 8, 2023
 - Season ends with a 5K Fun Run at Fairview Park

| Grade level | Capacity | Enrolled |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| 1st - 8th Grade | 60 | 60 |

❖ **Block Parties**

- 4th of July

| 2023 Block Party Permit | |
|--|---|
| Permits Issued for 4 th of July Holiday | 9 |

- Now accepting September 4th Labor Day block parties
 - Deadline to submit: 5:00pm, Thursday, August 10, 2023

❖ **Special Event Permits**

| June | |
|--|----|
| Total Permits Issued for 2023 | 29 |
| Permits Issued for June | 5 |
| Permits at City Facilities | 4 |
| Permits at Private Commercial Property | 1 |
| Pending Permits | 3 |
| July | |
| Total Permits Issued for 2023 | 35 |
| Permits Issued for July | 5 |
| Permits at City Facilities | 4 |
| Permits at Private Commercial Property | 1 |
| Pending Permits | 2 |

| Upcoming Events | Dates | Location |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Concert in the Park The Reflexx | Tuesday, July 11 | Fairview Park |
| Concert in the Park Savor | Tuesday, July 15 | Fairview Park |
| Concert in the Park Tijuana Dogs | Tuesday, July 25 | Fairview Park |
| Movies in the Park <i>Sonic 2</i> | Saturday, August 19 | TeWinkle Park |
| Symphony in the Park | Saturday, August 26 | Shiffer Park |
| Hispanic Heritage Month Event | Saturday, September 23 | Lions Park |