



# **PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: JUNE 13, 2024

ITEM NUMBER: MR – 2.2

**SUBJECT: DIRECTOR’S REPORT – MAY 2024**

**DATE: JUNE 10, 2024**

**FROM: BRIAN GRUNER, PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR**

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## ❖ Adaptive Programming

- Access Costa Mesa held our first resource fair on May 19 at the Costa Mesa Senior Center. Attendees enjoyed refreshments courtesy of Neat Coffee and mini cookies provided by Blackmarket Bakery. Roughly 60-75 people showed up to converse with the 26 vendors that attended the event including Segerstrom Center for the Arts, Studio D, Optum Health, Creative Identity, 9 Rounds Boxing, and more.

## ❖ Adult Sports

### • **Adult Sports**

- Softball League – Operated by Major League Softball
  - Spring 2024 begins Feb. 1 – April 29
- Senior Softball League – Operated by City Staff
  - Spring 2024 begins Feb. 1 – Aug. 3

Adult Basketball League - Operated by City Staff				
Season YYYY	Duration	Mon. Teams	Wed. Teams	Participant Total
Winter 2024	Jan. 8 – Mar. 25	6	5	106
Spring 2024	April 15 – June 26	6	6	139

### • **Fields**

Field Usage	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
# of Organizations	44	44	44	47	47	47	47	51
Hours	18,418	13,462	11,978	6,443	9,372	25,544	30,035	32,934

## ❖ Community Gardens

Garden Location	Parcel Quantity	Parcels Rented	Waitlisted
Del Mar	57	57	122
Hamilton	42	42	26

❖ **Contract Classes**

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
Youth & Adult Totals:	393	291	132	356	362	328	426	317

❖ **Costa Mesa Senior Center**

- The May 2024 monthly newsletter was mailed to 3,643 members. This is an increase of 117 members since April 2024.
- The Senior Center hosted an unforgettable Mother's Day event, complete with the sweet strings of a talented violinist, delectable Pizza D'Oro catering, entertaining games, and a delightful photo booth. It was a day filled with love and cherished memories.

Senior Programs	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	May
Meals on Wheels OC - Meals	3,841	4,075	4,511	4,098	3,528	3,381	3,885	4,416
Meals on Wheels OC - Seniors	1,941	2,084	2,245	2,018	1,732	1,127	2,002	2,400
Second Harvest Grocery Boxes	335	174	330	347	180	398	184	623
Wellness Calls	1,256	1,652	1,741	1,711	1,356	1,972	1,752	2,146
Transportation Program Trips	705	743	1,453	1,374	1,079	1,775	1,656	2,445

❖ **Downtown Aquatics Center**

Aquatics Programs	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
Adult Lap Swim Participants	114	106	90	119	119	85	47	54
Total Lap Swim Visits	599	508	445	441	481	234	128	146
Instructional Class Participants	225	176	N/A	N/A	27	N/A	N/A	N/A
Instructional Class Attendance	570	196	N/A	N/A	88	N/A	N/A	N/A

❖ **Downtown Recreation Center**

Gym Programs	May	
	Participants	Total Visits
Pickleball	137	636
Youth Open Gym	34	73
Basketball	17	38
Volleyball	73	162

❖ **Facility Rentals**

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
Number of Rentals	19	24	17	33	36	48	47	59

❖ **Fairview Park**

- The City hosted its Second Saturday restoration days on May 11th and June 8th, in partnership with Fairview Park Alliance, focusing on non-native vegetation removal in the vernal pool 5/6/7 buffer area. The next Second Saturday restoration day is scheduled for Saturday, July 13.
- The City hosted its Third Saturday restoration days on May 18th in partnership with Coastal Corridor Alliance (CCA) and volunteers participating in Love Costa Mesa Day. The 3rd Saturday Restoration days focus on the coastal sage scrub (CSS) areas in the upper canyon. The next third Saturday restoration day is scheduled for Saturday, June 15.
- The Fairview Park Master Plan Update project team is preparing for upcoming public engagement opportunities, including a scheduled presentation to the Fairview Park Steering Committee about the project later this month. This meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, June 26th in the Community Room at City Hall.

❖ **Permits**

Park Rental Permits - May					
Park Location	Permits Issued		Park Location	Permits Issued	
Del Mesa	7		Smallwood	2	
Estancia	6		TeWinkle	26	
Heller	2		Wakeham	10	
Shiffer	2				

Film Permits - May	
Permits Issued for May	2
Permits at City Facilities	1
Permits at Private Commercial Property	1
Pending Permits on TESSA	0
Total Permits Issued for 2024	6

Special Event Permits - May	
Permits Issued for May	8
Permits at City Facilities	4
Permits at Private Commercial Property	4
Pending Permits on TESSA	3
Total Permits Issued for 2024	21

❖ **Youth Programs**

- **L.E.A.P. Program**
  - August 21, 2023 – May 24, 2024
  - Held at Balearic Community Center in 2 classrooms of 20
  - Operates Monday – Friday for all ages

Age (Days)	Capacity	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
3-5 year old	40	34	37	38	39	39

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

- August 22, 2023 – June 9, 2024
- Registration open now for nine (9) NMUSD school sites

School Site	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
Adams	43	39	39	40	39
California	102	103	103	100	101
College Park	47	44	43	46	51
Davis	165	160	164	167	169
Killybrooke	58	59	66	60	56
Paularino	26	25	23	23	23
Sonora	39	37	39	41	41
Victoria	48	47	44	44	43
Whittier	35	37	36	37	37

- **Youth Sports**

- **Volleyball**

- Free clinic-based instruction at the Downtown Recreation Center Gym
- Season: March 26 – May 25, 2024

Divisions / Grade level	Capacity	Enrolled
A. 6th - 8th Grade	40	48
B. 4th - 5th Grade	40	28
C. 1st - 3rd Grade	40	41

- **Mobile Recreation**

- Free drop-in program providing recreation to elementary-age children at neighborhood parks with limited access to afterschool programs
- Registration is not required
- Attends City events to provide interactive games and crafts to the public

Day of the Week	Location	March	April	May
Monday	Paularino Park	36	44	42
Tuesday	Shalimar Park	11	17	26
Wednesday	Ketchum-Libolt Park	6	4	10
Thursday	Wilson Park	3	1	3
Weekends	City Events	N/A	N/A	N/A

- **Teen Program**

- Free afterschool care for 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades from August 21, 2023 – June 6, 2024
- 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	January	February	March	April	May
Downtown Recreation Center (DRC)	61	41	52	66	56
TeWinkle Middle School	241	167	200	201	233
Shuttle Service	January	February	March	April	May
Downtown Recreation Center (DRC)	61	41	44	53	45
Save Our Youth (SOY)	63	39	52	61	75

Upcoming Events	Dates	Location
Movies in the Park   Barbie	Saturday, June 15	Balearic Park
Independence Day Lunch	Thursday, June 27	Costa Mesa Senior Center
Newport Harbor Lions Club Fish Fry	June 28-30	Lions Park
Independence Day Celebration	Wednesday, July 3	OC Fairgrounds