



## City of Costa Mesa Agenda Report

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TITLE:

**JULY IS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH** 

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES

On Tuesday, July 17, the City Council approved a Proclamation declaring July as Parks and Recreation Month, and acknowledging the California Parks and Recreation Society's Parks Make Life Better campaign! Two of our Commissioners and many of our Department staff were in attendance for the presentation of the Proclamation. During the presentation a short video was played.

Earlier this year, staff distributed Poster Packs for a project that invited residents to draw/color their favorite park in Costa Mesa. The Poster Pack included blank poster paper and markers. Residents of all ages were encouraged to identify their favorite park in the City. While the number of posters was limited, we did want to highlight a few of the entries. These individuals will be acknowledged during the meeting.

The "Parks Make Life Better" campaign highlights the value Parks play in creating and improving the Quality of Life in our community. Staff would like to show a video presented by the National Parks and Recreation Association, or NRPA. Together NRPA and CPRS provide a great deal of resources and opportunities to municipal organizations for staff training, policy and project development, and funding and grant opportunities.

On behalf of our staff in both the Parks and Community Services Department and the Public Services Department, as they are responsible for the maintenance of our parks and park facilities, we thank both the City Council and the Parks, Arts and Community Services Commissioners for their support of our Parks, Programs, and Facilities.