Title 12. Parks and Recreation

Chapter III. PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

§ 12-71. Commission established.

There is hereby established as a part of the government of the city, a parks and community services commission, which shall:

(a) Consider and provide advice regarding matters that may be referred to it by the city council, the city manager, the director of parks and community services, or the director of public works;

(b) By its own motion, conduct studies and investigations and hold public hearings as it may deem necessary for the formulation of policies, plans, and procedures relating to parks, recreation, senior programs, recreation facilities, community facilities, and parkways, or to determine the wisdom and efficacy of such policies, plans and procedures, or to determine an action plan to pursue in implementing the city's Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan and report its findings and recommendations to the city council, the city manager, the director of parks and community services, and/or the director of public works;

(c) Recommend to the city council approval of concept plans for development and/or modification of parks, recreation, community, and open space facilities;

(d) Solicit to the fullest extent possible the cooperation of school authorities and other public and private agencies concerned with the parks, recreation, recreation facilities, community facilities, and parkways of the city;

(e) Make recommendations and findings on the necessity for removal of parkway trees and the necessity for terms and conditions for retention of trees in accordance with Chapter V of Title **15** of this Code, which decisions shall be final notwithstanding section **2-303**;

(f) Set the fees to be charged to participants in recreation and community programs and classes in accordance with the guidelines adopted by the city council;

(g) In its discretion, review the annual budget as presented to the city council and advise it on the current operational needs and long-range plans for capital improvements;

(h) Periodically visit parks, recreation and community facilities in the city to review established programs and facilities, and to monitor needs in accordance with the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan;

(i) On behalf of the city, actively encourage programs for the cultural enrichment of the community;

(j) Solicit partnerships with senior organizations which share the common goal to serve Costa Mesa's senior population; and

(k) Seek out and recommend to the city council, city manager or director of parks and community services possible public and private funding opportunities available to implement new or enhance existing senior programs and services.

(Ord. No. 19-06, § 2, 4-2-19; Ord. No. 22-05, § 2, 7-19-22)