

Costa Mesa Police Department

Memorandum



DATE: August5, 2026
TO: J. Brown, Lieutenant – Area One Commander
FROM: Matt Pallo, Park Ranger
SUBJECT: Park Ranger Monthly Report – July 2026

Park Ranger Overview													TOTAL
Month	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
Staffing	6	6	6	6	6	6	6						--
Patrols	807	986	1,146	965	777	698	790						6,169
Calls	121	115	176	175	186	224	260						1,257
Citations	11	10	15	9	23	25	9						102
Reports	31	26	19	28	38	34	19						195
Arrests	66	26	48	15	22	17	33						227

Park Activities/Highlights:

- Park Rangers continue to patrol Talbert Park on foot, bicycles, drones, and vehicles. Over the course of July, new encampment have begun to appear within restricted areas of the park resulting in citations, arrests, and assistance to the unhoused with connecting them to city and county outreach teams
- Park Rangers were present at the “Concerts in the Park” conducting overwatch of the event and assisted with traffic control. No incidents occurred and the concerts had a high attendance rate.
- On 07-28-2026, Park Rangers received a report of a high-value bicycle stolen from Canyon Park. Through a proactive check of surrounding parks, Park Rangers were able to locate a person in possession of the bicycle and able to determine it as the stolen one. Park Rangers arrested the person, and the bicycle was returned to its owner. DR:26-009530

MONTHLY PARKS ACTIVITY / ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Talbert Regional Park	23	75	1	7	0	106
Joann Street Bike Trail	3	42	1	0	1	47
Senior Center	6	72	1	2	2	83

District 1

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Balearic Park	3	5	0	0	1	9
Estancia Park	7	26	1	0	2	36
Mesa Verde Park	0	3	0	0	0	3
Moon Park	9	16	0	1	0	26
Smallwood Park	8	11	0	1	0	20
Suburbia Park	0	8	0	0	0	8
Tanager Park	4	6	0	0	0	10
Wakeham Park	7	12	0	1	0	20
Wimbledon Park	2	8	0	0	0	10
Total	40	95	1	3	3	142

District 2

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Del Mesa Park	5	7	0	0	0	12
Gisler Park	7	35	0	4	0	46
Shiffer Park	5	23	0	2	0	30
Paularino Park	3	3	0	0	0	6
Total	20	68	0	6	0	94

District 3

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Neth Park	0	26	0	1	0	27
TeWinkle Park	28	35	0	0	1	64
Skate Park	6	5	0	2	0	13
Wilson Park	12	43	0	3	0	58
Jack Hammet Sports Complex	2	14	0	1	0	17
Total	48	123	0	7	1	179

District 4

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Ketchum-Libolt Park	0	16	0	0	0	16
Shalimar Park	0	10	0	1	0	11
Total	0	26	0	1	0	27

District 5

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Canyon Park	9	37	1	1	1	49
Fairview Park	23	41	0	0	3	67
Lions Park	42	110	3	5	6	166
Marina View Park	4	21	0	0	0	25
Vista Park	26	13	0	0	2	41
Total	104	222	4	6	12	348

District 6

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Brentwood Park	5	12	0	0	0	17
Harper Park	1	11	0	0	0	12
Heller Park	2	13	0	1	0	16
Jordan Park	1	7	0	0	0	8
Lindbergh Park	2	6	0	0	0	8
Pinkley Park (Ogle)	5	18	1	0	0	24
Total	16	67	1	1	0	85

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Park Ranger Unit Enforcement Summary July 2026

Talbert Park **7 Arrests & 1 Citation**

1298 and 1299 Victoria Street.	2 arrests - CMMC 11-304(a)(3)
	1 arrest - CMMC 8-133(b)
	1 arrest - CMMC 11-306(a)
	1 arrest - H&S 11364(a)
	1 arrest - PC 166(a)(4) & Warrant
	1 arrest - Warrant
	1 citation – B&P 25620(a)

Lions Park **5 Arrests & 3 Citations**

570 W. 18 th Street.	1 arrest - CMMC 8-133(b)
	1 arrest - CMMC 11-3
	1 arrest - H&S 11377(a)
	1 arrest - Probation Violation
	1 arrest - Warrant
	3 citations – B&P 25620(a)

Gisler Park **4 Arrests**

1250 Gisler Avenue.	1 arrest - Warrant & H&S 11364(a)
	1 arrest - Warrant & PC 487
	1 arrest - PC 148/ H&S 11364(a)/243(b)
	1 arrest - H&S 11364(a)/CVC23152(a)

Wilson Park **3 Arrests**

360 W. Wilson Street.	3 arrests – H&S 11395(b)(1)
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Senior Center **2 Arrest & 1 Citation**

695 W. 19 th Street.	1 arrest - CMMC 12-18(a)
	1 arrest - PC 594
	1 citation – CMMC 12-20(a)(9)

Canyon Park **1 Arrest & 1 Citation**

970 Arbor Street.	1 arrest – H&S 11364(a)
	1 citation – B&P 25620(a)

Shiffer Park	2 Arrests
3143 Bear Street.	2 arrests - Warrant
Skate Park	2 Arrests
900 Arlington Drive.	1 arrest - PC 245
	1 arrest - Warrant
Moon Park	1 Arrest
3377 California Street.	1 arrest - Warrant
Wakeham Park	1 Arrest
3400 Smalley Road.	1 arrest – CMMC 8-133(b)
Neth Park	1 Arrest
111 Fair Drive.	1 arrest – 11-4(a)
Heller Park	1 Arrest
257 E. 16 th Street.	1 arrest – PC 273.5(a)/PC 273a(a)
Shalimar Park	1 Arrest
786 Shalimar Drive.	1 arrest – H&S 11357(b)
Jack Hammett	1 Arrest
2750 Fairview Road.	1 arrest – PC 487
Estancia Park	1 Citation
1900 Adams Avenue.	1 citation B&P 25620(a)
Ogle Park	1 Citation
360 Ogle Street.	1 citation – B&P 25620(a)
Joann Bike Trail (East)	1 Citation
558 Joann Street.	1 citation – CMMC 11-304(a)(3)

Codes used for Enforcement

Costa Mesa Municipal Code (CMMC)

3-112	Leash Law
8-83(d)	Scavenging trash
8-133(b)	Smoking prohibited in parks
10-194	Sleeping in a parked vehicle
11-3	Drinking in public
11-4(a)	Urinating/ defecating in public
11-304(a)	Unlawful camping
11-306(a)	Storage of personal property in public places
12-18(a)	Signs and notices to be obeyed
12-20(a) (4)	Possession or firing of fireworks in park
12-20(a) (5)	Hold illegal fire
12-20(a) (7)	Climb on building, facility
12-20(a) (9)	Damage, deface... plants, trees, shrubs... in park
12-20(a) (10)	Deface park property
12-20(a) (19)	Fishing in city park prohibited
12-23	Presence in parks after dark
12-24	Riding animals, Operating Vehicles
12-32	Performing labor in parks prohibited
12-42(b)	Dog off leash
12-43	Dogs excluded from children's playgrounds
12-51	Rubbish to be put into receptacles
12-53(a)	Permits needed for groups of 10 or more persons
12-57(b)	Safety equipment required at Skate Park
12-65(a)	Model aircraft may not be flown higher than 400 feet
15-3	Blocking sidewalk

Orange County Codified Ordinance

2-5-46(a)	Off Trail in County Park. OCCO (Orange County Code)
2-5-37	Firearms, BB guns, fireworks, or any other weapon prohibited.
2-5-35	Possession of alcoholic beverage. OCCO (Orange County Code)

Business and Professions, Health & Safety, Penal Codes & Vehicle Codes

B&P 25608	Possession of alcohol on school grounds
B&P 25620(a)	Open alcoholic beverage
B&P 25662(a)	Minor in possession of alcohol
B&P 22435.2(b)	Misuse of shopping cart
H&S 11364(a)	Possession of drug paraphernalia
H&S 11350(a)	Possession of controlled substance
H&S 11357(b)	Minor is Possession of Marijuana
H&S 11377(a)	Possession of controlled substance/ dangerous drugs
H&S 11395(b)(1)	Possession of controlled substance with priors
PC 148(a)	Resist /delay/obstruct a law enforcement officer
PC 166(a)(4)	Contempt of Court Order
PC 243(b)	Battery on Officer
PC 245	Assault with a Deadly Weapon
PC 273.5	Domestic Violence
PC 273a(a)	Domestic Violence
PC 487	Grand Theft
PC 594	Vandalism
CVC 21211(a)	No stopping, standing, sitting, loitering, or impeding bicycle traffic.
CVC 21211(b)	No parking or placing any object on a class one bikeway.
CVC 23152(a)	Driving Under the Influence