



# **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 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. These 3<sup>rd</sup> 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	Permits Issued
Del Mesa	5		Shiffer	10
Estancia	9		TeWinkle	17
Heller	5		Vista	4
Marina View	1		Wakeham	14
July 2023				
Park Location	Permits Issued		Park Location	Permits Issued
Brentwood	1		Shiffer	3
Canyon	1		Smallwood	1
Del Mesa	6		TeWinkle	7
Estancia	4		Vista	1
Fairview	1		Wakeham	12
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 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> 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**

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July

2023 Block Party Permit	
Permits Issued for 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Holiday	9

- Now accepting September 4<sup>th</sup> 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