



## Agenda Report

City of Costa Mesa

## Parks and Community Services Commission

Item #: 24-015 Meeting Date: 1/11/2024

TITLE: FAIRVIEW PARK OVERVIEW

DEPARTMENT: PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

This item is a general update. No action is required.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Fairview Park is the City's largest park, hosting 195 acres of natural open space area and 13 acres of manicured parkland for a total of 208 acres. Within the 195 acres of open space, there are two State and Nationally Registered Historic Sites and five different habitat ecosystems that are home to a variety of rare, endangered, and special-status plant and animal species. These habitats, native wildlife species and environmental resources in Fairview Park entail extensive regulatory compliance requirements and active stewardship by the City as a land management entity. Fairview Park also offers users passive recreational opportunities and several miles of trails for walking, running, bicycling and nature observation throughout the park's habitat zones, and the park acts as a gateway to the Santa Ana River Trail and bikeway corridor. The City also maintains multiple partnerships with local non-profit organizations that support activities and programs in Fairview Park.

The City is currently in the process of multiple significant projects and planning activities at Fairview Park including the Fairview Park Master Plan Update, as well as restoration of the Fairview Park mesa, bluffs, vernal pools, and other features. During the meeting, staff will present a high-level summary of Fairview Park activities, management, projects and programs to the Commission.