City of Costa Mesa

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Agenda Report

Parks and Community Services Commission

File #: 26-257 **Meeting Date:** 4/23/2026

TITLE:	**PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT**
DEPARTMENT:	**PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**
PRESENTED BY:	**BRIAN GRUNER, PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR**
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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Parks and Community Services Commission (PACS):

- Review and discuss the Parks and Community Services Commission annual report presentation for City Council.

BACKGROUND:

On August 20, 1990, the City Council approved the creation of the Parks, Recreation Facilities and Parkways Commission, a seven-member body. On May 20, 2002, the City Council renamed the commission to the Parks and Recreation Commission and reduced its membership to five members. In 2019, the commission was renamed the Parks, Arts and Community Services Commission and expanded to seven members. In 2022, following the establishment of the Arts Commission, the commission was renamed the Parks and Community Services Commission, maintaining a seven-member structure. The role of the commission is defined in Municipal Code 12-71, Attachment 1.

ANALYSIS:

Each year, the Parks and Community Services Commission meets monthly to discuss various items related to Parks and Community Services which includes recreational programming, recreation fees, special events, park and parkway related tree appeals and capital improvement projects pertaining to parks.

PACS: Accomplishments 2025 - Year to Date

- Developed a commission evaluation, CIP Values and Goals, to help provide formal commission recommendations to City Council for future Capital Improvement Park Projects.
- Reviewed and approved seven (7) memorial donations
  - Three (3) at TeWinkle Park
  - One (1) at Brentwood Park

  - One (1) at Tanager Park
  - One (1) at Canyon Park
  - One (1) at Fairview Park
- Provided recommendation for the Skate Park conceptual designs
- Approved the conceptual design improvements for Brentwood Park
- Provided recommendations for the Fairview Park Master Plan Update to City Council
- Reviewed the City's Urban Canopy Assessment
- Provided CIP budget recommendations for City Council Review for FY 2026/27 and five-year CIP budget for FY 2030-31(Attachment 2)
- Presented to City Council FY 2026/27 CIP recommendations on March 31, 2026
- Provided recommendations for Senior Transportation Program

Parks and Community Services Commission: Goals and Objectives 2026/27

1. Present an Annual Working Plan to Council
2. Assess and review the Community Garden program to enhance community opportunity
3. Assess and review an additional dog park location
4. Evaluate recreational fees once the consultant review is complete
5. Review park ordinance
6. Review park memorial donations
7. Review Category 3 parkway tree removal and replacement requests
8. Attend community events throughout the calendar year

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council may provide feedback and direction on upcoming year's goals and objectives and budget priorities and recommendations.

FISCAL REVIEW

Funding requests will be discussed and considered by City Council during the FY 2026-27 budget development process.

LEGAL REVIEW

There is no legal review required for this report.

CONCLUSION:

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