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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: May 21, 2019

Subject

Draft Citywide Parks and Recreation System Master Plan, request City Council feedback on opportunities and implementation sections of the plan.

Recommended Action

Provide feedback on Chapters 4 and 5 and associated elements of the draft Citywide Parks and Recreation System Master Plan.

Background

The draft citywide Parks and Recreation System Master Plan (“Master Plan”) was issued in early January. Public input was invited, and a number of presentations at public meetings and workshops were conducted, including presentations to Commissions. On February 5, 2019 the City Council reviewed the Master Plan and provided feedback.

On April 16, 2019 the City Council considered the System wide Objectives and Actions chapter of the Master Plan, to endorse the scope of the actions for purposes of conducting environmental review. At that time, Council members expressed interest in providing further input on the Plan, specifically on Chapter 4, which highlighted “Recommendations” which are now categorized as “Opportunities”, and Chapter 5, Implementation. The attachments to the staff report included 68 written and electronic public comments received through April 8, 2019, as well as other input from a teen forum and from various meetings and workshops. One additional comment was received prior to the meeting and was provided as a desk item (see Attachment A).

Discussion

Generous input has been received on the draft Master Plan, since it was issued in January 2019, as well as direction from the City Council on February 5, 2019 and April 16, 2019. The project team has reviewed and incorporated the input received into the draft Master Plan that was issued in January, as the attached red line version.

Chapter 4 provides highlights of opportunities, in a summary manner derived from more detailed information in the tables of Appendix E. A revised redline version of Chapter 4 that incorporates comments, is attached (see Attachment B). Chapter 5

addresses implementation of the Master Plan. A revised redline version that incorporates comments is attached (see Attachment C). Tables E-1, E-2 and E-3 in Appendix E support Chapters 4 and 5. These tables have also been commensurately revised to reflect input and direction received (see Attachment D).

In the Council's discussion on April 16, interest was expressed in providing a graphic page describing each of the City's parks. Staff has developed new 'park pages' for inclusion in the Master Plan (see Attachment E). Interest was also expressed by City Council to provide data about the City's recreation buildings. The requested information has been formatted into a chart (see Attachment F) for inclusion in the Master Plan.

Nineteen additional written comments were received at Quinlan Community Center on April 30, 2019. The comments are provided as Attachment G.

A clean version of the draft Master Plan as it was issued, in January, 2019 is provided as Attachment H, for convenient reference.

Summary

The City Council expressed a desire to provide further input on the draft Master Plan, focusing on Chapters 4 and 5, regarding highlighted opportunities and regarding implementation. Proposed revised versions of Chapters 4 and 5 are provided, as are Tables E-1 to E-3 which those chapters draw upon. Park pages and a recreation facilities chart have also been prepared. Direction from the City Council is desired regarding incorporating these revisions and additions for finalizing the document.

Sustainability Impact

The project will support the city's sustainability and environmental policies and objectives.

Fiscal Impact

None.

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Attachments:

A – Public Comment, desk item, April 16, 2019

B – Draft Master Plan, Chapter 4 (Recommendation Highlights), redline revisions, May 2019

C – Draft Master Plan, Chapter 5 (Implementation), redline revisions, May 2019

D – Draft Master Plan, Tables E-1, E-2 and E-3, redline revisions, May 2019

E – Park Pages, draft, May 2019

F – Recreation Facilities chart, draft, May 2019

G – Public Comments, received April 30, 2019
H – Draft Master Plan, as issued, January 2019