

Council Meeting Staff Report

November 7, 2017

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Indexes (Council Goals):

Presenters: Melanee Hand

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Title

Presentation of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Recommendation Regarding Tennis Courts Evaluation

Body

County Council asked the Parks and Recreation Board to take on the tennis court project as identified at their January 10, 2017 regular meeting and to complete the project by November 1, 2017.

Through continued investigation and evaluation efforts, the Parks and Recreation Board has conducted a collaborative public process. To date, a thorough investigation on court assessment has led to the development of the Tennis Courts and Site Assessment - May 2017, document. This baseline establishes the present level of service, location and multi-uses provided at these 18 courts which are strategically located throughout the community in 8 park sites.

The LA Tennis Club and local pickleball enthusiasts have been active participants in the tennis court discussions. The American Sports Builders Association and the National Recreation and Park Association benchmarks gave us a clear picture of national standards. Two school sites were investigated for development of an (8) court complex. At this time, the school district is not ready to move forward with additional tennis courts. The LA Tennis Club has recommended a fifth court be designed at Urban Park, thus providing a (5) court complex. A stakeholder neighborhood meeting was held on this proposal and received no support due to its location and extensive impacts to the surrounding neighborhood and park character.

Re-purposing selected tennis courts throughout the community could provide exciting options to revitalize these neighborhood amenities. Ideas include Futsal (soccer), half court basketball conversions, dog parks, outdoor exercise areas, strider bike courses, pump tracks and more.

Melanee Hand, Parks and Recreation Chair, will provide a presentation which will more fully describe the project evaluation process and its outcomes (Attachment F).

Attachments

- A - Tennis Court and Sites Assessment
- B - LA Tennis Club Survey
- C - Request for Verification of 5 Courts for USTA Matches eMail
- D - Urban Park Court
- E - NMAA Interscholastic Court Complexes Letter
- F - PRB Tennis Presentation to County Council