



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 5, 2008

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO THE CITY OF COSTA MESA & NEWPORT-MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT JOINT FIELD USE MASTER PLAN TASK FORCE

DATE: JULY 24, 2008

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Consider the formation of City of Costa Mesa & Newport-Mesa Unified School District (NMUSD) Joint Field Use Master Plan Task Force (Task Force).
2. Appoint Task Force Membership.

BACKGROUND:

The Joint Field Use Master Plan (Master Plan) will serve as the guiding document for the design and construction of athletic fields and supporting facilities at California Elementary School, TeWinkle Middle School, Costa Mesa High School and Davis Elementary School. This Master Plan will help chart the path to achieve the best designs to meet the District's physical education and sports program needs as well as the City's recreational needs.

The master planning of four field areas was approved by the City Council in June, 2007 with the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2007-08 budget. The Master Plan is needed to address the field limitations that are due to the current field age and layout. The City and NMUSD entered into a Joint Use Agreement to allow for the public use of school fields during non-school hours. The partnership has helped with the shortage of fields as the new agreement provides local athletic organizations with new opportunities for recreational play and practice. Schmidt Design Group was awarded a Professional Services Agreement for the master planning of four fields at NMUSD sites on March 18, 2008.

The draft Master Plan will be presented to the City-School Joint Liaison Committee, the Newport-Mesa Unified School District Board of Education, the Costa Mesa Parks and Recreation Commission and the Costa Mesa City Council during the final stages of the development process.

ANALYSIS:

Schmidt Design Group has started the necessary and preliminary work to begin the master planning. The planning process requires the formation of a task force to assist in identifying project scope and objectives. The close coordination with stakeholders is critical for successful completion of this project.

Staff seeks Council direction as to the membership of the Task Force. In addition to a member and an alternate from the City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, and NMUSD School Board, staff has identified the user groups below as possible stakeholders and recommends that each group would appoint one member and one alternate to serve on the Task Force.

- Mesa Del Mar Home Owner Association
- Mesa Verde Villas Home Owner Association
- Iowa Street Resident Group
- Costa Mesa Youth Sports Council

On May 28, 2008, the Parks and Recreation Commission appointed Mike Brumbaugh, Vice Chair as a member of the Task Force and Kurt Galitski, Chair as the alternate. The Newport-Mesa Unified School District Board of Education appointed Walt Davenport, Trustee as their member.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

The City Council may select to not convene the Task Force and provide their input at a scheduled City Council presentation rather than to convene the Task Force and appoint members. This alternative is not recommended as input from user groups, HOAs, and NMUSD is essential to the successful development of the Master Plan.

FISCAL REVIEW:

There is not a fiscal impact for the recommended action.

LEGAL REVIEW:

A legal review is not required for this item.

CONCLUSION:

It is recommended that the City Council convene the Task Force and appoint one representative and one alternate to serve on the Task Force.

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