



# *CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT*

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MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2008

ITEM NUMBER:

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

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 4, 2008**

**FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

## **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.

## **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, and will remain an open public process, in order to assist in identifying project scope and objectives. The close coordination with stakeholders is critical for successful completion of this project.

Since the Task Force was formally convened by the City Council, it will be subject to the Brown Act. Each of these meetings will also have a designated time for public comment. The Task Force is an advisory committee that will assist in setting policy goals and project scope. In addition to the Task Force meetings, it is anticipated that two public workshops will be held to invite community participation. A draft of the proposed Master Plan will be presented to the City School Joint Liaison Committee, the Newport-Mesa Unified School Board, the Costa Mesa Parks and Recreation Commission and the Costa Mesa City Council during the final stages of the development process.

At the City Council Meeting of August 5, 2008, the City Council directed to continue discussion of overall membership and that the groups below be invited to suggest representatives for Council consideration to serve on the Task Force. Staff has contacted each of the identified organizations to provide names for their members and alternate members for this purpose (Table 1). Most organizations did not offer a formal alternate.

**Table 1. Proposed Task Force Members**

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>MEMBER</b>
Costa Mesa City Council	Katrina Foley, Council Member
	Wendy Leece, Council Member
Parks and Recreation Commission	Mike Brumbaugh, Vice Chair, Member
	Kurt Galitski, Chair, Alternate
Newport Mesa Unified School District	Walt Davenport, School Board Member
Mesa Del Mar Home Owner Association	Lisa Reedy
Youth Sports Council	Gordon Bowley
Mesa Verde Villas Home Owners Association*	Justin Parrish
Halecrest Community Association	Michael Toole
Mesa North Home Owners Association	Colin McCarthy, President
Costa Mesa High School Booster Club	Frank Albers Kim Pederson

\*The Mesa Verde Villas Home Owners Association is the formal name for the Iowa Street Resident Group.

In an effort to identify a contact for the Costa Mesa High School Booster Club staff contacted the Costa Mesa High School Principal, Dr. Wong. Dr. Wong shared that there had not yet been an official formation of a Costa Mesa Super Boosters Club but that he felt Frank Albers would be a good representative as he is an active member of more than one booster club. Kim Pederson was identified by Council Member Katrina Foley as being another good representative for the Costa Mesa High School Booster Club.

**ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

The City Council may select to not convene the Task Force and provide their input at a scheduled City Council presentation. This alternative is not recommended as input from user groups, Home Owner Associations and the Newport-Mesa Unified School District is essential to the successful development of the Master Plan.

**FISCAL REVIEW:**

There is no fiscal impact with the recommended action.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

A legal review is not required for this item.

**CONCLUSION:**

The City Council at their meeting of August 5, 2008 directed staff to contact interested and active organizations such as user groups and Home Owner Associations to provide names of their selected representatives for City Council consideration for appointment to the Task Force.

Staff has collected names of those provided by the groups (Table 1) and requests that Council approve the appointment of these individuals and/or organizations to the City of Costa Mesa & NMUSD Joint Field Use Master Plan Task Force.

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