



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: APRIL 23, 2015

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: COSTA MESA SKATE PARK REPORT

DATE: APRIL 23, 2015

FROM: PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PRESENTATION BY: TRAVIS M. KARLEN, RECREATION MANAGER

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: TRAVIS M. KARLEN, RECREATION MANAGER
714-754-5052**

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission receive and file this report.

DISCUSSION:

At the June 26, 2014 meeting, the Commission was presented with action plan options addressing public safety at the Skate Park. The action plan adopted by the Commission continued current operations, provided for more enforcement via hiring additional Park Rangers and Ambassadors and required that private instructors be approved by the City.

In addition to adopting the action plan, the Commission requested that staff report back to the Commission in approximately six months with an update regarding the following:

- Progress in implementing the action plan;
- Assurance that private instructions are approved by the City, wear badges and supply liability insurance;
- Developing a partnership with the National Scholastic Skateboarding Association to conduct events/classes; and,
- Cooperation with outside groups and existing skateboard organizations to develop contract classes and/or events.

ANALYSIS:

Budgeted Park Rangers and Ambassadors have been hired since July 1, 2014. Both the Park Rangers and the Ambassadors provide additional enforcement at the skate park and open and close the park (9am to 9pm).

Staff has worked with the City Attorney and Risk Management to develop an Instructor Permit and Conditions of the Permit, which includes liability coverage (Attachment 1). At present, no private instructors have applied for permits; however, appropriate signage is being fabricated to notify potential instructors that permits are required to teach in the Skate Park. Additionally,

information regarding Skate Park Instructor Permits and general information about the park will be included in the summer recreation brochure.

Contract instruction has been provided by Basics of Skateboarding staff during the past fiscal year to provide Afterschool Camps (Attachment 2). In addition, staff have been working with the skate league to schedule their events and ensure that they have what they need to run a successful event.

The Costa Mesa Police Department provided police call statistics for the Skate Park. Below is a list of the number and type of police calls regarding the park since June 2014. Considering the number of individuals who use the park each day, these numbers are fairly low.

- 3 Vandalism
- 5 Drug-related
- 16 Injuries
- 5 Disturbances
- 35 CM Municipal Code violations
- 1 Robbery
- 1 Trespassing

Hours of the Skate Park are 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Monday through Sunday (closed every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. for maintenance). Current park hours are comparable to other skate parks in Orange County (Attachment 3) and staff feels these hours are sufficient for the skateboarders in Costa Mesa.

Based upon the current activities, enforcement and participants at the Skate Park staff believes that the operations are going well and no changes are recommended at this time.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

No changes are being recommended to the operation at this time. Thus, no additional funding is being requested.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this report.

 *for:*

TRAVIS M. KARLEN
Recreation Manager



TAMARA LETOURNEAU
Assist. CEO/Parks & Community Svcs. Director

- ATTACHMENT
1. Skate Park Private Skateboarding Instructors Permit
 2. Skateboarding Contract Classes 2015
 3. Orange County Skate Park Hours

Costa Mesa Skate Park Private Skateboarding Instructors Permit Application

Applicant Business Name: _____
Business Licensee Number _____ Phone Number (____) _____
Applicant Business Owner's First Name _____ Last Name _____

Mark with an X

- You will be providing the following types of skating instruction _____ Private _____ Group _____ Camps
- Will you have any employees? _____ Yes _____ No

CERTIFICATION
(To be completed by Applicant)

As applicant for this permit, I certify that I have read and understand the attached requirements and general provisions, and shall comply with all City, state and federal requirements for the provision of skate board instruction at Costa Mesa Skate Park. I understand I am responsible for compliance with City of Costa Mesa Municipal Code ("CCMC") Section 12-56 through 12-58, and that my failure to comply with any portion will invalidate my Instructor Permit. I understand that failure to comply with CMMC Sections 12-56 through 12-58 may be subject to a fine.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

APPROVAL
(To be completed by City)

Approval is conditional and subject to applicant's ongoing compliance with Municipal Code. This permit expires _____ and notification by the City prior to expiration will not be provided. The applicant must reapply each year.

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

Permit Fees Paid: _____ Date: _____ Verified: _____

The City reserves the right to revoke this permit for violation of any permit condition.

Applicant may contact the Recreation Manager at 714-754-5000 to appeal any denial of instructor permit issuance or revocation.

An Instructor Permit is required before providing any instruction for compensation at the Costa Mesa Skate Park. The issuance of an instructor permit requires approval from the Recreation Manager or his/her designee and full payment of permit fees. Failure to meet any of the conditions may lead to

revocation of the Instructor Permit. The conditions for issuance and continuance of the Instructor Permit include, but are not limited to, the following:

CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT

1. As an Instructor, the Permittee is permitted to teach or instruct skate boarding solely at the Costa Mesa Skate Park.
2. Permittee must follow all local and state requirements for the provision of instructor services at Costa Mesa Skate Park.
3. This permit is to be carried on the instructor's person at all times instruction is being provided at Costa Mesa Skate Park. Permit must be made available to any City employee upon request.
4. Permittee and any instructor providing instruction on Permittee's behalf will comply with Costa Mesa Municipal Code 12-56 through 12-58 and all applicable rules and/or regulations at Costa Mesa Skate Park.
5. Volcom Skate Park is a public facility and the public cannot be denied access to any part of the Costa Mesa Skate Park. Therefore, the public may use the Skate Park during your private instructional classes and neither Permittee nor anyone acting on Permittee's behalf may deny the public access.
6. Neither Permittee nor anyone acting on Permittee's behalf may bring or cause to be brought into the Skate Park any removable ramps, jumps, obstacles or materials. Bringing any of the foregoing is a violation of the Costa Mesa Skate Parks rules posted outside the facility gate and Municipal Code section 12-57 (g). Park Rangers will cite anyone using unauthorized ramps/rails inside the Volcom Skate Park facility.
7. Permittee understands and agrees that while operating in the Skate Park facility, helmets and pads (knee and elbow) must be worn by the Permittee, all instructors working on Permittee's behalf, and each participant that is being instructed (California Health and Safety Code Section 115800(b) and Municipal Code section 12-57(b)).
8. Only skateboards and roller skates will be allowed to be used inside the Costa Mesa Skate Park. *Prohibited devises include, but are not limited to, bicycles, scooters and any motorized device (electric or gas powered)*
9. In the event Permittee employs another person, Permittee will acquire Worker's Compensation coverage. If Permittee has no employees, Permittee must sign a Declaration of Non-employee Status form available from the City.
10. Permittee agrees to defend, indemnify, hold free and harmless the City of Costa Mesa, its elected officials, officers, agents and employees (collectively "Indemnitees"), at Permittees sole expense, from and against any and all claims, actions, suits or other legal proceedings brought against the Indemnitees arising out of or related to Permittee, Permittee's employees or authorized subcontractors (collectively "Indemnitors") use or occupancy of the Costa Mesa Skate Park or Indemnitor's provision of instruction at the Costa Mesa Skate Park. The defense obligation provided for hereunder shall apply without any advance showing of negligence or wrongdoing by the Indemnitors, but shall be required whenever any claim, action, complaint, or suit asserts as its basis the negligence, errors, acts, omissions or misconduct of the Indemnitors, and/or whenever any claim, action, complaint or suit asserts liability against the Indemnitees based upon the Indemnitors use or occupancy of or provision of instruction at the Costa Mesa Skate Park, whether or not the Indemnitors are specifically named or otherwise asserted to be liable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Permittee shall not be liable for the defense or indemnification of the Indemnitees for claims, actions, complaints or suits arising out of the sole active negligence or willful misconduct of the Indemnitees.

For Staff use only: Received by: _____ Date _____	Instructor Permit # _____ Signature _____
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Parks & Community Services
2015 Skateboarding Contract Classes

Winter 2015

Basics of Skateboarding Afterschool Camp Ages: 4-12

Basic/Intermediate tricks, bowl skating, skatepark etiquette. All lessons given by an experienced instructor within groups. \$25 insurance fee is due to instructor on the first day of class.

Location: Volcom Skatepark

mattsheridan@basicsofskateboarding.com

Instructor: Basics of Skateboarding Staff

Spring 2015

Basics of Skateboarding Afterschool Camp Ages: 4-12

Basic/Intermediate tricks, bowl skating, skatepark etiquette. All lessons given by an experienced instructor within groups. \$25 insurance fee is due to instructor on the first day of class.

Location: Volcom Skatepark

mattsheridan@basicsofskateboarding.com

Instructor: Basics of Skateboarding Staff

Summer 2015

Basics of Skateboarding Afterschool Camp Ages: 4-12

Basic/Intermediate tricks, bowl skating, skatepark etiquette. All lessons given by an experienced instructor within groups. \$25 insurance fee is due to instructor on the first day of class.

Location: Volcom Skatepark

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Instructor: Basics of Skateboarding Staff

Orange County Skate Park Hours

Skate Park Facility	Hours of Operation
Anaheim West Skate Park	10 am – Dusk, Daily
Brea Skate Park	7 am – Dusk, Daily
Buena Park Skate Park	8 am – Dusk, Daily
Costa Mesa Skate Park*	9 am – 9 pm, Daily (Closed each Tuesday, 9 am – 3 pm for maintenance)
Cypress Skate Plaza	8 am – Dusk, Daily
Diamond Bar Skate Park	7 am – Dusk, Daily
Etnies Skate Park of Lake Forest	Monday – Thursday, 11 am – 9 pm Friday, 11 am – 10 pm Saturday, 10 am – 10 pm Sunday, 10 am – 9 pm Summer Schedule (June 1 - September 4) 10 am – 10 pm, Daily
Fullerton Skate Park	6 am – 11 pm, Daily
Garden Grove Skate Park	6 am – 11 pm, Daily
Huntington Beach Murdy	7 am – 10 pm, Daily
Irvine Skate Park	School year Monday – Friday, 2 pm – 8 pm Saturday, 10 am – 9 pm Sunday, 12 pm – 8 pm Summer, Winter, and Spring Breaks Monday – Saturday, 10 am – 9 pm Sunday, 12 pm – 8 pm
La Habra Skate Park	Monday – Friday, 3 pm – 8 pm Saturday – Sunday, 12 pm – 8 pm Holidays – Closed
Laguna Hills Skate Park (LAGS)	8 am – 10 pm, Daily
Laguna Niguel Skate Park	School Days 12 pm - 9:30 pm Weekends, Holidays, School Vacations 9 am - 9:30 pm
Mission Viejo Beebe Skate Park	8 am – Dusk, Daily
Rancho Santa Margarita	Dawn – Dusk, Daily
San Clemente Ralphs Skate Park	Dawn – Dusk, Daily (Closed each Friday, 8 am - 10 am for maintenance)
Santa Ana Skate Park	7 am – Dusk
Vans Skate Park of Orange	10 am – 10 pm, Daily
Westminster Skate Park	8 am – Dusk, Daily