



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2016

ITEM NUMBER: **9b**

SUBJECT: SHIFFER PARK CELL SITE UPGRADES

DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2016

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT/ENGINEERING DIVISION

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RECOMMENDATION

Provide direction on the proposed location for the installation of additional equipment for the cell tower site at Shiffer Park.

BACKGROUND

In September 2000, the City entered into a lease agreement with Cox PCS LLC for the placement of a cell tower at Shiffer Park in Costa Mesa. The cell tower and equipment are located in the space of the north handball court (Attachment 1) in the northeast corner of the park.

ANALYSIS

The lessee has requested the City's approval to install additional equipment necessary to meet current and future demands. The proposed location (Attachment 2) for the installation of the equipment is directly adjacent to the existing location. Two (2) potential locations have been considered: the location north of the existing compound is approximately twice as large as the next option because it includes the front access to the existing equipment. This is staff's preferred option as it allows for better use of existing hardscaped areas and will improve the overall security of the site. The second option, even though smaller in footprint, uses more of the existing landscaped area. Either option will require that the lessee construct an appropriate access path to the facility to minimize turf damage in the park.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Commission may consider combining both locations and extending the secured area to the south end of the courts to prevent unauthorized use of this area when the park is closed.

FISCAL REVIEW

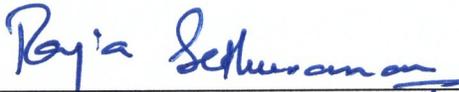
The lessee will be responsible for construction of required improvements and for repair of any park facility improvements as a result of construction. The City will enter into a separate agreement for the expansion of the cell site area.

LEGAL REVIEW

The City Attorney's office is working with the applicant on the agreement for the use of the expanded area.

CONCLUSION

The lessee for the existing cell site at Shiffer Park is requesting expansion of their compound to house additional equipment to meet existing and future demands. Two (2) site options are proposed for this expansion. Staff requests the Commission's direction for the requested expansion.



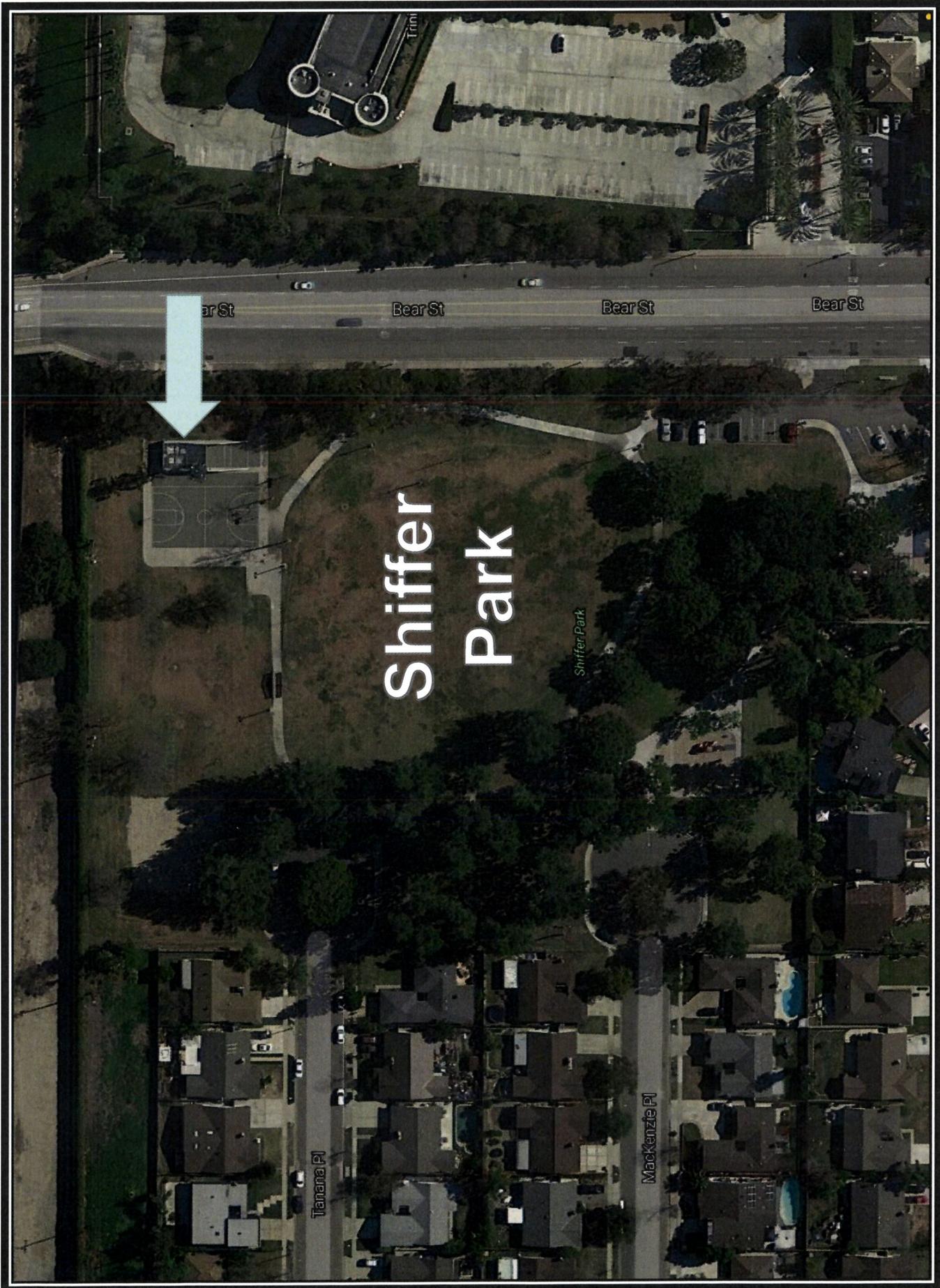
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- Attachments:
- 1. Shiffer Park
 - 2. Proposed Locations for the Expansion of the Cell Site Facility

- Distribution:
- Chief Executive Officer
 - Assistant Chief Executive Officer
 - Interim Finance Director
 - Recreation Manager



Shiffer Park 879035 Potential add land location

