MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE COSTA MESA CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The Closed Session was called to order by the Mayor at 5:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Costa Mesa City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Righeimer, Mayor Pro Tem Mansoor, and Mayor Genis.

Absent: Council Member Foley and Council Member Stephens.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (00:00:11)

Speaker, stated there is no data that supports a need for additional sports fields. (00:01:35)

Beth Refakes, Costa Mesa, spoke on addressing Fairview Park issues since the initiative passed; and spending monies on an animal shelter instead of the Bark Park renovation. (00:03:37)

Brett Woods, of AYSO Region 97 and Costa Mesa United, spoke on a need for more sports fields. (00:05:20)

Speaker, requested data that supports a need for sports fields; spoke on spending monies on an animal shelter instead of the Bark Park renovation; and spoke in support of open space, and preserving Fairview Park. (00:06:32)

Anna Vrska, Costa Mesa, expressed concerns on the report and financial expectations; spoke on the pension liability; requested the appendix; spoke on Fairview Park; the Bark Park; and a shortage of lighted fields and the ethnic makeup of teams. (00:08:11)

Mark Arblaster, Newport-Mesa Soccer Club, spoke on a shortage of sports fields; converting existing facilities to fields; and the ethnic makeup of teams. (00:10:30)

Robin Leffler, Costa Mesa, spoke on Mesa Verde Community Inc. and removal of the Tanager pool that was listed in an earlier draft the master plan. (00:12:48)

REGULAR ITEMS:

PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN (00:14:30)
 Public Services Department and Parks & Community Services Department

Justin Martin, Parks & Community Services Director, presented the staff report. (00:14:37)

Project Manager Zachary Mueting, RJM Design Group, provided a power point presentation pertaining to the process. (00:16:40)

Discussion ensued on lighting of fields; artificial turf; and turf rest. (00:51:12)

Discussion ensued on various surveys used to support data in the report; a sub-analysis report as part of the budget process; and a pool concept that was included in an earlier draft. (00:52:42)

Mayor Genis spoke on the acreage analysis; the Shalimar Park area; and the General Plan park standard of 4.26 acres of parkland for every 1000 residents. (00:58:46)

Discussion ensued on new parkland acquisition or park growth in neighboring parcels; an increase in mobile recreation programs at highlighted opportunity sites; and the tracking of parcels for potential land acquisition for future park development. (01:02:08)

Mayor Pro Tem Mansoor spoke on the Bark Park renovation and on the animal shelter not being part of the Master Plan process since it is not a recreation facility. (01:06:18)

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND SUGGESTIONS - NONE

ADJOURNMENT – The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m. (01:06:59)

Minutes adopted on this 6th day of March, 2018.

Sandra L. Genis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Green, Čity Clerk