

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING – COUNCIL MEMBER ITEMS REPORT

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: MIKE POSEY, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

DATE: AUGUST 3, 2020

SUBJECT: COORDINATING A STUDY SESSION TO REVIEW THE CITY'S PARK DEVELOPMENT

EFFORTS BETWEEN FISCAL YEARS 2014-15 TO 2019-20, INCLUDING A REVIEW OF THE CITY'S PARKLAND ACQUISITION AND PARK FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT

IMPACT FEE

BACKGROUND

Established in July 2012, the Parkland Acquisition and Park Facilities Development Impact Fee has given the City a greater capacity to complete park development projects that improve recreational access and the overall quality of life in Huntington Beach. As our Community Services Department has stated, *parks make life better*.

Given that the City is about to begin development of an updated Park Master Plan, I am requesting that the City Council direct staff to coordinate a study session to review the City's recent efforts to acquire, renovate, and develop parks during the last six years, which covers the time period covered by our current Parks Master Plan.

The review would provide valuable insights into understanding how the City is meeting the recreational demands of our growing community. A review of these efforts should include a complete list of all parkland acquisition, developments, or facilities completed or in progress since Fiscal Year 2014-2015, as well as an estimate of how these developments have been funded.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

I recommend the City Council direct the City Manager to schedule a study session and present an overview of the City's park development efforts from 2014 to 2020. This overview should also include a corresponding assessment of the use and current fund balance of the City's Parkland Acquisition and Park Facilities Development Impact Fee.