

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LA MIRADA
APRIL 4, 2018 – 6:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 13700 LA MIRADA BOULEVARD
LA MIRADA, CALIFORNIA 90638**

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioner	Misty Cota Minjares
Commissioner	Rebecca Cline
Commissioner	Pete Dames
Commissioner	Diane Gramajo
Commissioner	Steve Lee
Commissioner	Michael Lord
Vice Chairman	Susan Savage

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 7, 2018** - It is recommended the Community Services Commission approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 7, 2018.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

2. **2018 EASTER EGG HUNT** – It is recommended the Community Services Commission review and discuss the 2018 Easter Egg Hunt.
3. **2018 CONCERT UNDER THE STARS AND FARMERS MARKET** - It is recommended the Community Services Commission review and discuss the 2018 Concert Under the Stars and Farmers Market.
4. **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE** - It is recommended the Community Services Commission review and discuss the capital improvement projects update.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(The speaker is requested, but is not required, to orally state or register his or her name and/or address on the sheet located at the podium, for purposes of recording the information accurately in the minutes. Any information or materials provided are recorded in the minutes and are subject to public disclosure under the Public Records Act. No action will be taken on matters not listed on the agenda. Please observe a five minute limit to communications.)

SENIOR, HISTORICAL, AND YOUTH COUNCIL REPORTS

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Dated this 29th day of March 2018



Micaela Diores
Community Services Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF LA MIRADA**

MARCH 7, 2018

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL Present: Commissioner Misty Cota Minjares
Commissioner Pete Dames
Commissioner Diane Gramajo
Commissioner Steve Lee
Vice Chairman Susan Savage

Absent: Commissioner Rebecca Cline
Commissioner Michael Lord

Staff: Lori Thompson, Community Services Director
Mark Stowell, Public Works Director/ City Engineer
Dustin Balke, Aquatics Coordinator
Micaela Diores, Community Services Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 7, 2018

Commissioner Dames moved and Commissioner Cota Minjares seconded to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2018 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Commissioners Cota Minjares, Dames, Gramajo, Vice Chairman Savage
NOES: None
ABSENT: Commissioners Cline, Lord
ABSTAIN: Commissioner Lee

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2. ANNUAL PARK REVIEW

Community Services Director Thompson thanked Commissioners and members of the Youth Council for conducting the annual park review and said recommendations would be used to help select projects for the Love La Mirada Day of Service and assist Public Works in classifying and prioritizing park needs. She requested Commissioners and Youth Council Members provide brief summaries of their review and introduced Public Works Director/City Engineer Mark Stowell.

In Commissioner Cline's absence, Community Services Director Thompson discussed the review of Ana J. Martin Park which included favorable comments about the community's use of the new playground. Youth Council Member Maximo Vazquez said he was pleased with the park and recommended the park signage be replaced.

Commissioner Gramajo reported on Behringer Park North and Behringer Park South. She said the athletic fields were well maintained and utilized, but shared concerns over pet waste. Youth Council member Adriana Perez reported on her evaluation and recommended an increase in bathroom maintenance.

Public Works Director Stowell responded and said grass regeneration at Behringer Park is an ongoing challenge due to heavy use. He said future park renovations may include concrete repairs to Behringer Park South.

Commissioner Cota Minjares reported on her evaluation of Creek Park and said most concerns were addressed during the draft master plan review discussed at a recent Commission meeting. Youth Council Member Fabian Lee noted Creek Park's peaceful setting and shared his concerns over a potential tripping hazard along with bathroom accessibility and cleanliness.

Public Works Director Stowell responded and said renovations would bring Creek Park to full compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and that shrubs located near Santa Gertrudes Avenue and Kibbee Avenue were recently removed to help address the homeless issue.

Community Services Director Thompson shared Commissioner Cline's review of Frontier Park which was said to be well maintained and used by the community. Youth Council Member Sarah Usmani reported on her evaluation and recommended the bleachers and benches be cleaned.

Public Works Director Stowell responded and said the I-5 Freeway Expansion Project calls for a number of trees to be replanted within the City and Frontier Park would be a prime location for additional greenery.

Commissioner Gramajo shared recommendations from her review of Gardenhill Park which included signage and restroom renovations. Youth Council Member Adriana Perez presented the evaluation submitted by Youth Council member Arian Tirado who recommended additional parking, seating and water fountains.

Public Works Director Stowell reported on the playground replacement at Gardenhill Park and said additional bench seating would be included in the project. He said the park sign would be replaced. Community Services Director Thompson reported on a proposal for a free standing "library" to be developed and maintained by Girl Scout Troop 15564 as part of their Bronze Project at Gardenhill Park.

Community Services Director Thompson shared the evaluation for Heights Christian athletic fields conducted by Community Services Coordinator Amanda Ponce De Leon which included concerns over a possible leak on the field, which is being monitored by Heights Christian Middle School.

Public Works Director Stowell responded and said Heights Christian athletic fields are not owned by the City, therefore limiting the City's ability to make repairs.

Vice Chairman Savage reported on the Community Gymnasium and expressed concerns over the roof and air circulation. She also recommended additional lights be placed along the walkways leading to the parking lot to enhance safety.

Public Works Director Stowell responded and said the Gymnasium's facade would be in need of waterproofing and that future repairs would address the sky lights and air circulation.

Commissioner Dames reported on his evaluation of Los Coyotes athletic fields and commented on the inadequate number of available restrooms for use and other infrastructure concerns. He said Public Works staff continues to provide preventative maintenance but is limited in doing repairs to the 50 year old facility owned by the Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District. Commissioner Dames also said the School District would enclose a portion of the parking lot due to safety concerns.

Commissioner Cota Minjares reported on her evaluation of Neff Park which included the removal of inoperable equipment and recommended maintenance of restrooms and the Neff Mansion steps. She said she was looking forward to the completion of roof repairs for the Neff Mansion, George House, and the Neff Barn. Youth Council Member Maximo Vazquez recommended an increase in parking and restroom maintenance.

Public Works Director Stowell stated there are many desired renovations for Neff Park but repairs must be prioritized. He said preservation of the homes was vital due to their historical value. Community Services Director Thompson reported \$1,500 was donated by the United Methodist Church of La Mirada to go towards updating the tree plaques at Neff Park.

Vice Chairman Savage reported on her evaluation of Splash! La Mirada Regional Aquatics Center and said the facility was well utilized throughout the year and suggested signage be placed on the building's facade. She expressed concern over electrical equipment located near water but stated staff promptly addressed the swim team and corrected the matter. Vice Chairman Savage recommended the blue mosaic disks surrounding the pool deck be replaced with disks designed by local students.

Community Services Director Thompson responded and said electrical outlets were strategically placed during the concrete project at Splash! to discourage improper equipment placement and said staff would continue to work with team coaches to ensure proper procedures were followed. She commented that replacement of 31 blue mosaic disks had a cost estimate of \$116,000 and that other design options would be considered. Public Works Director Stowell reported on the new slide project and plans to replace facility lights with LED bulbs to increase efficiency.

Community Services Director Thompson reported on the evaluation of Veterans Park conducted by Commissioner Cline, who suggested the addition of a low maintenance succulent garden.

Commissioner Dames reported on his evaluation of Windermere Park and said the horseshoe pits were in need of repair or removal. Youth Council Chairman David Ramirez reported on the evaluation conducted by Yvonne Chen who expressed concern about restroom cleanliness and the playground.

Community Services Director Stowell reported on the playground replacement at Windermere Park. He said existing restrooms at Windermere and Gardenhill Parks were connected to the community buildings and that plans of additional restrooms for the sole use of the City's recreation programs were being considered.

Commissioner Lee requested information regarding the selection of Love La Mirada projects.

Commisisoner Cota Minjares said the City provided the Love La Mirada committee with 36 possible projects to be completed during the day of service on April 28. She said projects submitted were selected by staff based on community needs and recommendations made through the annual park review.

NEW BUSINESS

* Items 3 and 4 were taken out of order.

4. SPRING EVENTS 2018

Community Services Director Thompson reported on community events taking place in spring including the Easter Egg Hunt on March 31, Love La Mirada Day of Service on April 28, and Mother Daughter Tea on May 12. Mrs. Thompson encouraged Commissioners to

participate in selecting first place winners for the "Love a Tree" poster contest on April 4 at the La Mirada Library. She invited Commissioners to volunteer as judges for the Spring Beautification program, which takes place March 27 through April 6, and shared several proposed enhancements to the awards ceremony schedule for June 11 at the La Mirada Theatre.

3. PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM

Community Services Director Thompson reported on portable sound equipment utilized by Community Services including three podiums and a portable system consisting of two powered speakers on stands with a built in audio mixer used outdoors at Splash! Mrs. Thompson said professional audio equipment and service were contracted by the City for large outdoor events. She added that as a general rule, groups with a facility reservation are offered a podium and if additional sound is desired, groups must supply their own equipment.

Commissioner Cota Minjares provided additional background by clarifying that Commissioner Cline's request for the report originated from the lack of proper sound during the Meals on Wheels Spaghetti Dinner.

Community Services Secretary Micaela Diores stated the equipment used during the Spaghetti Dinner was not borrowed from the City.

Commissioners Dames and Lee inquired if existing equipment and practices during community events were deemed sufficient by Community Services. Mrs. Thompson responded and said yes.

Commissioners Dames, Gramajo, and Cota Minjares recommended that since the Department deemed it unnecessary to purchase additional sound equipment, groups with a facility reservation requiring additional sound should continue to supply their own equipment.

Resident Lee Olsen commented that a member of the Community Services Foundation advised the Commission to recommend the purchase of a portable sound system to be available for use by service organizations during community events.

Commissioner Cota Minjares recommended further discussion be conducted when all members are present.

The Community Services Commission tabled its discussion of the agenda item.

5. COMMUNITY SERVICES PARTICIPANT SURVEYS

Community Services Director Thompson reported on the new participant surveys automatically sent through the City's online registration program, Civic Rec, after the completion of each class. Mrs. Thompson said online evaluations were implemented in

January 2018 and discussed key results which indicated a 97 percent overall satisfaction in the City's recreation programs.

Commissioner Cota Minjares commented on the value of feedback from program evaluations.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SENIOR, HISTORICAL, AND YOUTH COUNCIL REPORTS

Senior Council Chairman Larry Torres reported on several items including SeniorNet registration on March 30, recruitment for a Senior Council representative from The Palms, AARP Tax Assistance, and a gardening class through Suburban Water Systems. He advertised the Elder Fraud Prevention Workshop scheduled for March 15 at 11 a.m. at the Activity Center.

Commissioner Lee expressed the importance of fraud prevention for seniors and suggested the workshop also be scheduled in the evening to allow for additional community members to attend.

Community Services Director Thompson said the fraud prevention workshop would be advertised on the City's social media sites and that the topic would be discussed again during an evening workshop to be scheduled in the near future.

Historical Preservation Advisory Council Vice Chairman Marlene Olsen thanked the Senior Council for its recruitment efforts and Public Works staff for their quick response to concerns regarding the Neff Estate. She reported on the missing Neff House plaque and said she was looking forward to the completion of the roof repairs.

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Cota Minjares reported on the ethics training held on March 5, the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on April 13 at Holiday Inn La Mirada, Love La Mirada Day of Service on April 28, and a La Mirada Ebell fundraiser on March 17 at the Volunteer Center.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Services Director Thompson thanked Commissioners for attending the ethics training on March 5 and reported on current job openings for aquatic and recreation positions, an MTV production at Splash! generating \$10,000 in revenue, and the StarGuard Elite program. Mrs. Thompson also reported on staff's attendance at a leadership training provided by the Joint Powers Insurance Authority during the week of

March 5 and the California Parks and Recreation Society's (CPRS) annual conference in Long Beach during the week of March 12.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted:

Attest:

Micaela Diores
Community Services Secretary

Susan Savage
Vice Chairman

NEW BUSINESS

**Community Services Commission
April 4, 2018**

TO: Community Services Commission
FROM: Lori Thompson, Community Services Director
ORIGINATED BY: Micaela Diores, Community Services Secretary
SUBJECT: 2018 EASTER EGG HUNT

BACKGROUND

The annual Easter Egg Hunt remains a spring time tradition for many families in La Mirada. Residents are invited spend the morning filled with activities for children of all ages! The free family friendly event was attended by 2,100 people in 2017.

FINDINGS

The 2018 Easter Egg Hunt was held Saturday, March 31 from 9 to 11 a.m., at La Mirada Regional Park. Families enjoyed games, crafts, music, balloon artists, bounce houses, a petting zoo, and of course, the Easter egg hunt. Photos with the Easter Bunny and a Kiwanis Club pancake breakfast were also available for a nominal fee.

The egg hunt began at 10:15 a.m. for children ages 10 and under. Hunt areas were separated by age. Following the event, the La Mirada Kiwanis held its annual Duck Derby at Splash!. The Duck Derby raised funds for local community organizations.

It is requested that Commissioners in attendance provide an evaluation and input to staff.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Community Services Commissioner review and discuss the 2018 Easter Egg Hunt.

Commissioner's Name



Community Services Commission 2018 City Special Event Assessment

EASTER EGG HUNT

Location La Mirada Regional Park
Date Saturday, March 31, 2018
Time 9-11 a.m.

PLEASE RATE THE FOLLOWING:		Excellent	Good	Fair	N/A
1	Advertisements				
2	Attendance				
3	City information booth				
4	City staff presence				
5	Emcee, announcements				
6	Is the event suitable for children				
7	Is the event suitable for families				
8	Is the event suitable for seniors				
9	Location				
10	Location (cleanliness)				
11	Music				
12	Overall program				
13	Parking				
14	Photos with the Easter Bunny				
15	Set up				
16	Signage at event				
19	City craft booths				
20	Petting Zoo				
21	Bounce House				
TOTALS		0	0	0	0

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:		Yes	No	Not sure	N/A
1	Would you recommend this event to your friends or family?				
2	Was the event enjoyable for all ages?				
3	Do you normally attend this event?				
TOTALS		0	0	0	0

1 What recommendations or enhancements do you have for this event?

2 Additional comments about this event?

NEW BUSINESS

**Community Services Commission
April 4, 2018**

TO: Community Services Commission

FROM: Lori Thompson, Community Services Director

ORIGINATED BY: Oliver Osuna, Community Services Supervisor
Ashley Chanman, Senior Recreation Leader I

SUBJECT: 2018 CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS AND FARMERS MARKET

BACKGROUND

The City of La Mirada's annual summer concert series returns June 14 and continues every Thursday through August 9. The Concert Under the Stars series will be held 6:30 to 8 p.m. at La Mirada Regional Park except for the Stroll in the Park event on July 26, which will take place at Creek Park. The concert series provides the community with the opportunity to socialize with family and friends while enjoying the summer nights with live music in a park setting.

At each concert, staff and volunteers distribute comment cards to those in attendance for the purpose of evaluating the evening's performance, receiving suggestions for future musical acts, and general feedback. A frequent suggestion received is to add additional food vendors and greater variety of food offerings at to each weekly concert. The selection of food vendors for the concerts has been limited by requirements that vendors must be La Mirada-based and have the necessary equipment to be self-contained to prepare and serve food from a temporary facility. Last year, at the recommendation of the Community Services Commission, letters were sent to all La Mirada-based restaurants notifying them of the opportunity to sell food at the City's summer concerts. Three applications to serve food were received including Tom's Tailgate and vendors that sold kettle corn and shaved ice.

Tom's Tailgate was the primary food vendor at each event in 2017. Tom's Tailgate worked with staff to offer menu items that differed slightly each week. While the quality of offerings was high, audience feedback continued to request for new and varied food vendors.

FINDINGS

This year's band selection process began in January with the annual Concert Share event which was hosted by the City of Norwalk. Some 59 local cities were represented as well as 125 music bands. Following the Concert Share, 11 bands were selected and contracts have been sent. Provided all contracts are executed as agreed upon, payment for this year's 11 bands, including musical acts scheduled to perform during

Independence Celebration and Stroll in the Park, will be an estimated \$10,850, compared to last year's 11 bands which totaled \$9,775, as shown in Attachment A.

Members of the Commission are requested to volunteer as the host emcee at each concert and assist during the Volunteer Recognition Concert on August 9.

Concert Date:	Band:	Genre:
June 14	The Kings of 88	Classic Piano Rock
June 21	Sgt. Peppers	Beatles Tribute Band
June 28	Tom Nolan Band	Motown / Soul
July 12	L.A. Vation	U2 Tribute Band
July 19	The Breakfast Club	80's
August 2	The Suffragettes	Modern Pop Music
August 9	Retro Station	50's & 60's Hits

In an effort to meet the community's request for more varied food options, staff is exploring adding a farmers market to the weekly events. Participants could include vendors selling prepackaged, ready-to-eat foods as well as vendors cooking food on site at the farmers market. Produce and fruit vendors, and a small number of craft vendors could also be part of the market.

Staff would not organize and book vendors for the farmers market. An organizer would be responsible for booking and managing the vendors for the farmers market. The organizer would serve as a booking agent and schedule various self-contained vendors for each concert event. The Organizer would also work with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health to secure all required health permits, ensure vendors are compliant with Public Health requirements, and would be responsible for providing proof of insurance for its vendors to the City.

Staff recently met with representatives of Enriched Farms, a group which organizes farmers markets and similar events throughout Southern California, and is currently organizing a weekly farmers market for the City of Cypress. At the meeting, staff shared the comments the City has received regarding the variety of food vendors and the goal of increasing concert attendance. The representatives of Enriched Farms were receptive to working with the City, and organizing their vendors to provide a weekly farmers market at the concerts. Upon executing the City's standard contractor agreement, and at no cost to the City, Enriched Farms would schedule a small number of vendors to begin, and grow the event by adding vendors over time. The City would retain the option to include La Mirada vendors in the farmers market.

Enriched Farms requested the City provide a power source for all vendors, and to be allowed to operate its farmers market for a minimum of five hours. This would set the approximate hours of operation from 3 to 8 p.m. These hours would not have a significant impact on the City as the event supervisors typically arrive at Regional Park by 2 p.m. to prepare for the event. The live concert would continue to be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Staff reached out to the Los Angeles County regional Recreation Services Manager in late February to inform them of the possible addition of a farmers market to the concerts. Staff explained to County staff that this potential addition would not affect the City's current reservation of Regional Park in regards to schedule and site location. Additionally, staff informed the County that Enriched Farms would be required to name the County as an additional insured on all insurance documents. The Recreation Services Manager did not express any concerns with the farmers market at the time.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended the Commission review and discuss this report.

Attachment A

2017 CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS

Concert Date	Band/Sound	Genre	Payment
6/15	The Country Club	Country/Pop/Rock	\$1,000
6/22	Pop Vinyl	Dance Hits	\$1,200
7/13	Box Car 7	Blues and Soul	\$700
7/20	BETAMAXX	80s Pop Rock n' Roll	\$800
8/3	Sgt. Peppers (Nat'l Night Out)	Beatles Tribute	\$600
8/10	Retro Soul	Top 40's	\$1,000
Totals:			\$5,300

7/3 Independence Day Event	Lady Zep (4-6p)	Classic Rock	\$1,400
	Hit Me 90's (6:30-8:30p)	90s Music	\$1,300
Totals:			\$2,700

7/27 Stroll In the Park	Kulayd	Doo Wop/	\$800
	Clinton Years	Caribbean/Calypso	\$975
	Band from LA COUNTY (?)		Grant
Totals:			\$1,775
Total Cost:			\$9,775

2018 CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS

Concert Date	Band/Sound	Genre	Cost
6/14	Kings of 88	Classic Piano Rock	\$900
6/21	Sgt. Peppers	Beatles Tribute	\$600
6/28	Tom Nolan Band	Mowtown-Rock N Soul	\$1,100
7/12	L.A. Vation	Rock	\$1,100
7/19	The Breakfast Club	80's Rock n' Roll	\$850
8/2	The Suffragettes (Nat'l Night Out)	Cover Band	\$1,300
8/9	Retro Station (Volunteer Recognition Concert)	Retro	\$600
Totals:			\$6,450

7/3 Independence Day Event	The Soul Kitchen (4-6p)	The Doors & Jim Morrison Tribute	\$1,200
	The Country Club (6:30-8:30p)	Country	\$1,400
Totals:			\$2,600

7/26 Stroll In the Park	Kulayd	Doo Wop/Disco	\$800
	Upstream	Caribbean/Calypso	\$1,000
	Band from LA COUNTY(?)		Grant
Totals:			\$1,800
Total Cost:			\$10,850

NEW BUSINESS**Community Services Commission
April 4, 2018**

TO: Community Services Commission

FROM: Lori Thompson, Community Services Director

ORIGINATED BY: Micaela Diores, Community Services Secretary

SUBJECT: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS UPDATE

BACKGROUND

Preserving an attractive community through infrastructure improvements remains a top priority for the City of La Mirada. A number of capital projects are currently under construction or are in the design phase and scheduled to begin construction in 2018.

FINDINGS

The Public Works Department has continued to provide the Commission with information and status updates on several capital projects, including the Neff House, George House and Neff Barn Roof Replacement, Playground Equipment Replacement at Gardenhill and Windermere Parks, and the Splash! Water Slide Project.

Neff House, George House and Neff Barn Roof Replacement

All three historic buildings located at the Neff Estate are in need of complete roofing replacement. Van Dijk & Associates, Inc. Roofing & Waterproofing Consulting Service prepared plans and specifications for the required work, estimating the project cost at \$322,960. The cost of most work will be covered by Community Development Block Grant funding. On June 27, 2017 the City Council approved plans and specifications for the project. The sealed bids were initially opened on July 27, 2017, but due to irregularities in the low bid and major deviation of the bids from the estimate, the bids received, ranging from \$570,918 to \$634,058, were rejected by the City Council on August 22, 2017 and scheduled to be re-advertised for sealed bids at a later date. The roof project bid opening was rescheduled for April 4, 2018 and construction is tentatively scheduled to begin by July 2018.

Playground Equipment Replacement at Gardenhill and Windermere Parks

The playgrounds at Gardenhill and Windermere Parks have exceeded their useful life and are in need of replacement. Additional upgrades are also required to meet playground equipment safety standards and Americans with Disabilities Act regulations. The project is estimated at \$730,000 and funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget. Improvements include the removal and replacement of the existing play

equipment, installation of new resilient rubber surfacing to conform to current safety standards, Title 24 Accessibility Codes, and the installation of a replacement walkway at Gardenhill Park to provide compliant access to the play area and sports courts. During the City Council meeting on March 27, the Council approved plans and specifications developed by Borthwick, Guy, Bettenhausen, Inc., and authorized the City Clerk to advertise for sealed bids concluding on April 30, 2018. The projects are scheduled to begin by July 2018.

Splash! Water Slide Project

Construction of Splash! La Mirada Regional Aquatics Center was completed in 2007. At the time of completion, the project included 50-meter and 25-yard pools, and a therapeutic spa. The facility also features Buccaneer Bay, which includes a lazy river, zero-depth play area, spray pads, and three water slides.

The Buccaneer Bay portion of the facility provides the majority of the revenue, allowing Splash! to cover its operating expenses. In order to keep Splash! viable, and maintain the popularity of the facility with the community, the addition of a new waterpark feature was considered. This item was discussed at the 2017 City Council Retreat, and funding for the project was included in the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget.

The new feature will include the addition of a new waterslide tower for a multi-lane mat rider slide and possibly two additional body tube slides. While the tower to accommodate all slides is to be completed as part of this project, the two body tube slides may not be completed until the future. The new slide feature is envisioned to be located within Buccaneer Bay's open space area near the picnic pavilion at the northern edge of the waterpark.

A Request for Proposals for design and architectural services was released and three companies submitted proposals. At the conclusion of the proposal review and interviews, staff selected Aquatic Design Group, Inc. as the successful proposer. The proposal submitted by Aquatic Design Group, Inc. was in the amount of \$203,930.

Aquatic Design Group, Inc. has over 30 years of experience designing aquatic center and waterpark features in 38 states and 25 countries around the world. Aquatic Design Group, Inc. recently completed lazy river and waterslide improvements to Dry Town in Palmdale, and also added a "mat racer" waterslide to the Legoland waterpark. Aquatic Design Group, Inc. also maintains architecture services and aquatic design consultants within its firm. Staff views this as a comparable advantage in streamlining workflow, communication, and allowing for better estimates on schedule and construction cost projections.

Capital Improvement Projects Update
Community Services Commission Meeting of April 4, 2018

The City has released a Request for Proposals from qualified design and manufacturing firms for the purchase and delivery of the Mat Rider Water Slide. The proposals are due by April 9, 2018. It is anticipated that the project will be completed prior to the Buccaneer bay 2019 season.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended the Community Services Commission review and discuss the report.