

City of Culver City, California
Parks and Recreation Commission Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: <u>07/07/09</u>		Item Number: <u>A-3</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: Select Possible Dates for Scheduling: (1) Tours of the Parks, (2) a Tour of Recreation Programs, and (3) a Tour of the Museum of Tolerance.			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☐ No ☒		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒	Attachments: ☐
Public Notification: PRCS Master Notification List (07/02/09).			
Department Approval: Bill La Pointe (07/01/09)		City Attorney Approval: N/A	
Fiscal Impact Approval: N/A		City Manager Approval: N/A	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends that the Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS) Commission select possible dates and time for scheduling: (1) tours of the parks, to which the members of the City Council will be invited; (2) a tour of recreation programs; and, (3) a tour of the Museum of Tolerance. <u>BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:</u> <u>Park Tours</u> Each year staff accompanies the Parks and Recreation Commission on one or more tours of City Park facilities. City Council members are always invited to join the Commission on these tours. The purpose of the tours is to familiarize appointed and elected officials with the conditions at the public parks. During the tour, elected and appointed officials have the opportunity to ask questions of staff and staff has an opportunity to inform officials of issues arising in Culver City Parks. Last year, the two park tours were held on Sundays during the Fall. Staff recommends that the Commissioners check their calendars and provide staff with potential park tour dates and times; staff will then check Council members' availability during those dates and times. The Commission may also wish to discuss the itinerary for each of the tours. A map displaying the location of the parks within Culver City is included as Attachment A. A list of the names and addresses of the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department's major parks is as follows:			

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| 1 | Blair Hills Park
5950 Wrightcrest Drive | 7 | Fox Hills Park
Green Valley Circle & Buckingham Parkway |
| 2 | Blanco Park
5801 Sawtelle Boulevard | 8 | Lindberg Park
5401 Rhoda Way |
| 3 | Dr. Paul Carlson Park
Braddock Drive at Motor Avenue | 9 | Syd Kronenthal Park
3459 McManus Avenue |
| 4 | Culver City Park (Bill Botts Fields) Duquesne & Jefferson | 10 | Tellefson Park
Washington Place & Tilden Avenue |
| 5 | Culver West Alexander Park
4162 Wade Avenue | 11 | Veterans Park
4117 Overland Avenue |
| 6 | El Marino Park
5301 Berryman Avenue | | |

Recreation Program Tour

For the first time this year, staff recommends that the PRCS Commission select possible dates and times for a tour of some of the Department's recreation programs. A late afternoon-early evening time on a weekday might give the Commission the best opportunity to view a wide variety of programs. An excerpt of the Summer Edition of Culver City Living that highlights the various recreation programs is provided as Attachment B.

Museum of Tolerance Tour

Since Human Relations is within the PRCS Commission's purview, staff recommends that the Commissioners select possible dates and times for a tour of the Museum of Tolerance. Past Commissions have gone on this tour as a group as a means of increasing awareness of issues of prejudice and discrimination. Visitor information excerpted from the Museum of Tolerance website at www.MuseumofTolerance.com is provided as Attachment C. Attachment C includes a flyer for the current exhibition, *Drawings from Darfur*, **please note that although the flyer lists an end date of December 29, 2008, the exhibit is running through July 30, 2009.**

FISCAL IMPACT:

The only cost is nominal and is related to the use of one or more of the PRCS Department vans to transport tour participants.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Map of Culver City Parks and Facilities
- B. Excerpt of Summer 2009 Edition of Culver City Living
- C. Museum of Tolerance Information

MOTION:

That the Parks and Recreation Commission:

1. Select _____ as possible dates and _____ as times for scheduling two tours of the parks, to which the members of the City Council will be invited;

AND

2. Select _____ as possible dates and _____ as times for scheduling a tour of recreation programs;

AND

3. Select _____ as possible dates and _____ as times for scheduling a tour of the Museum of Tolerance.