

Sunday, October 23, 2011 - Tour of Culver City Parks and Facilities

Culver West Alexander Park*

Parks & Playgrounds Programs:

- Monday, 3:30 to 5:30 PM – Painting
- Tuesday & Thursday, 3:30 to 6:00 PM – Tennis
- Wednesday, 3:30 to 5:30 PM – Arts & Crafts
- Friday, 3:30 to 6:30 PM – Foosball or Ping-Pong
- Saturday & Sunday – Carrom games; equipment check out

Accomplishments:

- CWAP Improvements – Phase II
 - o LED Security Lights at Jogging Trail, Recreation Building & McConnell Passageway
 - o Permanent Trash Receptacles
- Demonstration Garden
 - o Drought Tolerant Plants
- Resurfaced and Re-striped Courts
 - o Tennis Courts
 - o Paddle Tennis Courts

Commitments – CIP's (funded):

- Limited funding for replacement of concrete trash cans, benches and picnic tables.

Comments regarding CWAP:

- Phase I and Phase II of this project provide a great model for how our parks can be made more “user friendly” by adding ample opportunities for passive use
- Phase I Completed in January 2009
 - o New Jogging Trail
 - o Grassed Infield and Added Trees
 - o Enlarged Picnic Area
 - o Climbing Wall Donated
 - o Pooch Path Signage & Stencils

October 23, 2011 – Tour Itinerary		
9:00 AM	Senior Center Parking Lot	
9:15 - 9:30 AM	Culver West Alexander Park	
9:45 - 10:00 AM	Tellefson Park	
10:10 - 10:25 AM	Blanco Park	
10:35 - 10:50 AM	El Marino Park	
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Culver City Park	
11:40 - 11:55 AM	Linwood E. Howe MP Field	
12:00 - 1:00 PM	Senior Center	
Parks & Playgrounds General Staffing Hours*		
Season	Monday - Friday	Saturday - Sunday
School Year	3:00 PM - 7:00 PM	9:30 AM - 1:00 PM; 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Summer	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM; 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	9:30 AM - 12:30 PM; 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM
*Indicates Park with Parks & Playgrounds staff.		

Tellefson Park

Accomplishments:

- Ongoing Maintenance & Repairs
 - o Field Maintenance
 - o Restroom Repairs
- Evaluated different models of trash receptacles and methods of addressing problems related to trash in the Park

Commitments - CIP's (funded):

- Limited Funding for Replacement of:
 - o Picnic Tables
 - o Barbeques

Comments regarding Tellefson:

- This location will be evaluated for passive use improvements during the Community Green Space Planning process (North East Trees Grant).
- 2004 - Last Grant-funded Project
 - o Replaced Restroom
 - o Replaced Picnic Pavilion/Tables
 - o Constructed Playground – New Play Equipment & Rubberized Surfacing
 - o Improved Landscaping/Irrigation

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Blanco Park* – Joint Use

Culver City After School Program (CCARP):

- Monday – Friday: immediately after school until 6:00 PM

Parks & Playgrounds Programs:

- Saturday & Sunday – Carrom games; equipment check out

Accomplishments:

- Tree Plantings
- Replaced Backstop & Chain Link Fence

Commitments - CIP's (funded):

- New Par Course Equipment
 - o Purchased Last Fiscal Year
 - o Will Be Installed this Fiscal Year

Comments regarding Blanco:

- This location will be evaluated for passive use improvements during the Community Green Space Planning process (North East Trees Grant).
- Public Works recently repaired the outdoor eating area by the Recreation Building.
- Park Enhancement Projects (PEP's) are done at this location.

El Marino Park* – Joint Use

Culver City After School Program (CCARP):

- Monday – Friday: immediately after school until 6:00 PM

Parks & Playgrounds Programs:

- Saturday & Sunday – Carrom games; equipment check out

Accomplishments:

- Repairs to Chain Link Fence/Backstops
- Irrigation Upgrades
- Ongoing Turf Management (see comments section below)
- Replaced 5 to 12 age Playground with new innovative physically and mentally challenging play equipment. 100% accessible site

Comments regarding El Marino:

- This location will be evaluated for passive use improvements during the Community Green Space Planning process (North East Trees Grant).
- Park Enhancement Projects (PEP's) are done at this location.
- Very Active and Involved Neighborhood Group
- Solutions must be found for the ongoing challenges of turf management due to the heavy use of the fields.

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Culver City Park – GENERAL

Parks & Playgrounds Programs:

- All week – Carrom games; equipment check out

Comments regarding Culver City Park:

- The Irrigation System requires constant maintenance/repair and needs significant upgrades due to age and being located on a landfill site.
- Public Works/Engineering has completed the design and bidding to replace and upgrade the Booster Pump this fiscal year. Project has been awarded and will start construction in November 2011.
- The Calsense upgrades project has been designed, bid and awarded and managed by Parks Division. Construction will start in November 2011 and is a part of the ongoing AB-1881 upgrades in the parks.

SKATE PARK*

Parks & Playgrounds Programs:

- All week – Skate Park supervision

Accomplishments:

- Prop A Funded Fence Replacement

PW Commitment - CIP (funded):

- Public Works/Engineering to install drinking fountain and ADA Path.

PLAYGROUND

Commitments - CIP's (funded):

- Prop A Funded Project - Construct Playground – New Play Equipment / Wood Fiber Surfacing / Sand Play Area. Project is designed and Council recently approved the project going out to bid. Estimated project completion date of April 2012. Project Managed by Parks Division.

DOG PARK

Accomplishments:

- Park has been completely restored after the PXP well abandonment project.
- 2006-2010: Prop A Funded Phase II
 - o Shade Structures
 - o Irrigation/Drainage/DG
 - o Landscaping/Signage
 - o Water Fountains
 - o Storage Container
 - o *The Friends of the Culver City Dog Park* supplied the labor and Prop A supplied the materials to build a much-needed retaining wall for erosion control

Commitments - CIP's (funded):

- None for the current fiscal year.

Comments regarding the Dog Park:

- Park Enhancement Projects (PEP's) are done at this location.
- *The Friends of the Culver City Dog Park* funded Phase I and continues to support the Park through fundraising and volunteerism. They hold an Annual Dog Park Clean-up and fund amenities on an ongoing basis.
- *The Friends of the Culver City Dog Park* are working in partnership with Public Works and Parks Division to raise funds to design and install lighting at the Dog Park.

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AQMD GRANT SITES

PW Commitment - CIP (funding approved and allocated):

- Three sites in the Park that were formerly used for oil production have been newly planted with trees and automatic irrigation was installed through an AQMD funded grant. The project was designed and managed by Public Works / Engineering and Parks Divisions.

SPORTS FIELDS

LOWER FIELD –

Accomplishments/Commitments:

- Prop 40 Funded Field Lighting Project

UPPER FIELDS –

Accomplishments/Commitments:

- Prop 40 and Prop A Funded Field Leveling Project completed
 - o Little League donated \$8,980 toward Plans and Specifications
 - o AYSO donated \$18,240 toward Sod

Comments regarding the Sports Fields at Culver City Park:

- Park Enhancement Projects (PEP's) are done at these locations.
- The Culver City Little League Organization (Junior and Senior Baseball Program) funds and implements improvements at both lower and upper areas, recent projects include:
 - o New Brick Dust at Lower Field
 - o Painted All Wood and Masonry Surfaces, including Concession Stands, Announcer Booths
 - o Replace Backstops
 - o General Field Maintenance and Clean-up
 - o Currently Rebuilding Announcers Booth at Upper Fields

PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL CONNECTION

Accomplishments:

- Coordinated with the MRCA to complete the gateway link to the State Park that is part of the looped trail project.
 - o Trail / Gateway
 - o Wayfinding Signage

MRCA Commitment - CIP (funded):

- Installation of Interpretive Signage

Linwood E. Howe Multipurpose Field – Joint Use

Accomplishments:

- Ongoing Turf Management (see comments section below)

Commitments - CIP's (funded):

- None for the current fiscal year.

Comments regarding Linwood E. Howe:

- Park Enhancement Projects (PEP's) are done at this location; there is currently one in the works.
- Solutions must be found for the ongoing challenges of turf management due to the heavy use of the field.

Culver City Senior Center

Accomplishments:

- Upgrades to Landscaping and Irrigation System
- Addition of Drought Tolerant Plants
- Maintain "Gold Star Mothers' Rose Garden"
- Periodic Maintenance to Supplement the Work done by Contractor, Marina Landscape

Commitments - CIP's (funded):

- Paetzold Bequest Funded Courtyard Redesign and Remodel