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- TO: Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC)
- FROM: Ron Munds, General Manager

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 3 – 11/14/2023 PRAC Meeting Continued Discussion of the Los Osos Community Plan Parks & Recreation Section Review and Active Recreation Issues

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Provide comments and direction to staff

Discussion

At the August PRAC meeting, the PRAC discussed the challenges that the Youth Sports Leagues and Pickleball players were having with San Luis Coastal School District (School District), revisions to the Community Park Master Plan, and creating a working group with the Los Osos Advisory Council (LOCAC). There was also some discussion on the PRAC reviewing the Los Osos Community Plan Park open space sections, looking at current funding limitations for future park development and possible solutions to acquire park space.

The following report summarizes some of the follow-up activities related to these issues.

Youth Sports Leagues

At the August Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) meeting, the committee heard comments from representatives from Coast Little League and South Bay Soccer regarding the challenges they were experiencing with scheduling and maintenance of the School District sports fields. Staff and Chairperson Fourcroy met with Ryan Pinkerton, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, and Chris Bonin, Director of Facilities Operations and Transportation, to discuss the issues raised at the August meeting. The key issues raised are:

- Permitting
- Scheduling
- Field maintenance

Permitting. The School District gives both leagues top priority for facility permits each year. They stressed that the person(s) responsible for acquiring permits be organized and contact the permitting office early on for assistance in filling out the paperwork. The person in charge of permitting is aware of the both leagues priority for field reservations and are there to assist.

Scheduling and access. When explained, the School District understood the scheduling conflict with the after-school sports program. They said they would look into better managing the program but that some conflicts would be difficult to avoid. This and site access are areas that further discussions with the School District would be warranted and welcomed by the School District.

Field maintenance. The School District acknowledged the problem at the Los Osos Middle School (LOMS) field. They have been battling the gopher situation for years but it has been a losing battle. It was mentioned that the soccer league had volunteers available to help fill in the gopher holes. They were open to a couple of work days and actually provide the dirt. This will need to be coordinated with the School District. The good news is that with the passage of a recent bond measure, each school in the district will undergo complete rehabilitation of their turf areas. The work will include deterrents for gophers and other rodents. The schedule has yet to be determined.

Pickleball

The School District is aware of the issues surrounding the lack of Pickleball facilities in Los Osos. Though somewhat supportive of the effort to utilize Sunnyside School, there is no intention to spend any additional funds at this facility since it is their intent to sell the property at some point in the future. They did state that they were going to build new pickle ball courts at LOMS. They made it clear that no tennis courts would be removed.

Other Outstanding Issues

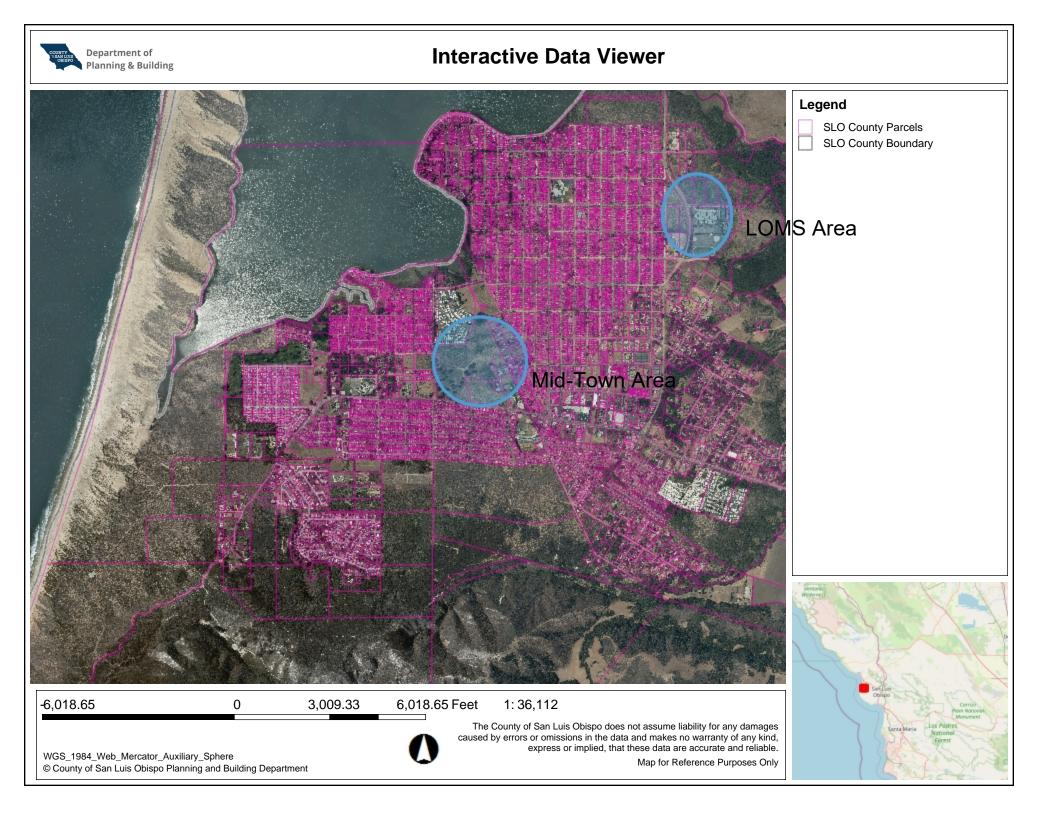
As mentioned, at the August meeting, the committee discussed the following issues:

- Revisions to the Community Park Master Plan
- Creating a working group with Los Osos Advisory Council (LOCAC) and PRAC members to review the Los Osos Community Plan Park and open space sections
- Looking at current funding limitations and possible solutions to acquire park space

It was decided that the review of the Los Osos Community Plan sections related to park and open space and the other issues listed above will be dependent on the subsequent working group's work. Staff will work on forming the group and moving forward. The PRAC will be kept informed on the status of any work product generated from that effort.

ATTACHMENTS

Aerial map of existing large parcels Current community park master plan Facility Use Permits on SLCUSD Coast Sites





FULL BUILDOUT SITE STATISTICS

DESCRIPTION	AREA SQ. FT.	PERCENT OF SITE
Total Site Area:	320,500	100.0%
Buildings:	12,220	3.8%
Parking Lot:	25,700	8.0%
Paving/Walks:	67,010	20.9%
Tennis Paving	38,727	12.1%
Turf Area:	70,335	22.0%
Non-turf Landscape Area:	96,864	30.2%
Tot Lot:	6,604	2.0%
Sand Volley Ball Court	3,040	1.0%
Total Area of Grading:	139,570	44.0%



Facility Use Permits on SLCUSD Coast Sites

(May 2021 to Present)

SBSA -

- * Given year round use of LOMS P.E. shed.
- * Annually submit 13 applications for facility use permits (LOMS, BA, MG, and ME).
- * Annually all 13 applications approved, 13 permits issued.
- * No application has ever been denied or cancelled.
- * Following the creation of SLCUSD's after school elementary sports program (8/22) Elementary fields were blocked only until 4:30pm on Tues & Thurs, and 5pm on Fri. Mondays, Wednesdays, and all weekends remain completely available.
- * Only one revision to a permit Dec of 22, LOMS athletic director requested the remaining 12 practices on SBSA's permit #6334, push the start time by 30 mins. to accommodate LOMS athletics. (from 4pm to 4:30pm)

Coast Little League -

- * Have sheds on site at Baywood, Monarch Grove, and LOMS
- * Annually submit 4 applications for facility use permits (MBHS, LOMS, BA, and MG).
- * Annually all 4 applications approved, 4 permits issued.
- * No application has ever been denied or cancelled.
- * Following the creation of SLCUSD's after school elementary sports program (8/22) Elementary fields were blocked only until 4:30pm on Tues & Thurs, and 5pm on Fri. Mondays, Wednesdays, and all weekends remain completely available.
- * May 12, 2023 the only cancellation date on a CLL permit, one date on permit #6494 was cancelled due to Baywood's Carnival.

MB Parks & Rec (fields only) -

- * Annually submit 3 applications for field use permits (ME and SU).
- * Annually all 3 applications approved, 3 permits issued.
- * No application has ever been denied or cancelled.
- * SLCUSD's elementary after school sports program does not use Morro El or Sunnyside.