

City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Doug Thornley, City Manager Approved Electronically

Eric Edelstein, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Norma Santoyo, Interim Parks & Recreation Director Our

SUBJECT: Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan (PROS) Update

In late 2022, City Council directed staff to update the 2008 Recreation Facilities Plan and create a more robust Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. City Council authorized an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services to identify current and planned park and recreation facilities, along with a funding strategy for the next twenty years. As part of this update, Stantec is working on providing an independent assessment of the needs by benchmarking City facilities with national standards and identifying relevant communities within the region or nation against which to compare and analyze level of services standards.

Stantec has developed an initial draft PROS plan that will be presented to the Recreation and Parks Commission on March 21, 2023 for their feedback. This feedback will inform the next iteration of the draft plan and will be presented to each of you for your feedback. These individual meetings are scheduled between March 21-24. However, these meetings will be taken off calendar and rescheduled for a later date. This will provide Nathan Ullyot, our new Director of Parks and Recreation, an opportunity to consume the plan and be part of the next steps in the project. Nathan's first day is March 20, 2023.

Nathan was selected after an extensive nationwide recruitment process. He comes to us with over 22 years of parks and recreation experience. Most recently, as director of community services in the City of Maricopa, Arizona. Nathan understands the critical nature that collaboration plays in a thriving community and works to foster relationships to create partnerships inside and outside the community. He and his family are thrilled to join our work family and community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.