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Subject: parks addendum

Ed,

Some additional thoughts to be added for the next council meeting:

1. Any park that we take back will have to have a new sign as the current signage reflects both the city and county. Additionally, the "not allowed" signs in joint use parks are the county's and must be replaced. As this change in responsibilities is a county initiative, that cost should also be borne by the county, it is an expense we forgot to include when we took over the roads and that signage change cost us a bunch.
2. There are 3 buildings in the Higel Park complex, one is bathrooms and the other two are locked. Would you please find out what is in or for what purpose the other two buildings serve?
3. The Higel Park pavilion has red fluorescent lights. What purpose do they serve and can they be changed out to regular lighting.

Thanks,
John

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Subject: Additional parks info

Ed,

As we continue to assess the parks and try to figure out what we are going to do, I had a few additional thoughts this morning while taking a long walk. I am asking Lori to include this email on the next agenda under parks discussion.

1. Humphris Park at the south jetty - please thank the county for removing the adopt a park sign as this park was never even maintained by the county. Also, they removed the sign that the park was adopted by the Villas Surf Club as that club has been disbanded for years and mail has been returned to sender for at least two years.
2. Higel Marina Park - although this park is maintained by the county, it is on their list of parks they wish to give back to us. Please ask them to remove the county adopt a park sign as it is evident they have no interest in this park. Additionally, as part of our assessment for deciding on this park, I suggest we use the same criteria as the county did when we asked about Fire Department consolidation. For at least the last 28 years, this park was maintained by the county. For 20 years of that maintenance, the county was responsible for 100% of the cost of all repairs and upgrades and only for the last 8 years did they limit the cost to \$5000.00 per park. The upgrades would have been included in that expense as when the county took over the parks, they were up to code and in ADA compliance of the time. Therefore, please have an assessment made of the buildings, dock, restrooms, etc. and arrive at a depreciated value of the same. Our negotiations with the county should include their required monetary contribution to a depreciation fund, much like the required depreciation the county imposed upon us during consolidation talks. This should hold true for any capital items on any park over which we assume control.
3. Chauncy Howard Park - I see new mulch has been added south of the entrance, was this a city or county project? We would also need an assessment of the walk over if this is a park we end up taking over. One further thing, please find out who named the park and what the historical significance of that person is to Venice.
4. Venice Beach - this beach is adopted by Tervis Tumbler through the county adopt a park program. Please request records from the county of the past two years of work Tervis did on the park. I am aware of a lot of work done on the park by VABI, but have not been made aware of anything by Tervis.

Thanks,
John

John Holic
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