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PASTOR RAY MOTEN JOSEPH OF JACOB UNITED CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST



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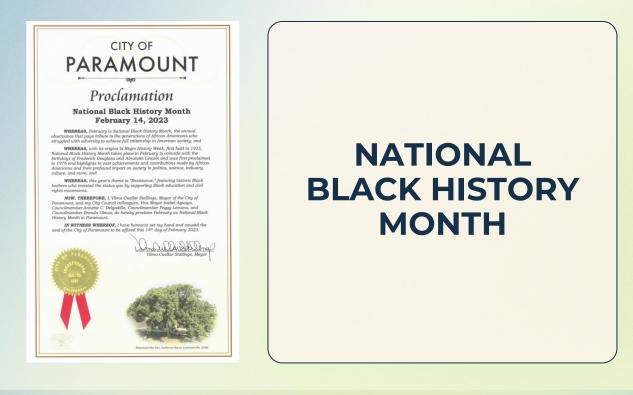


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ROLL CALL OF COUNCILMEMBERS

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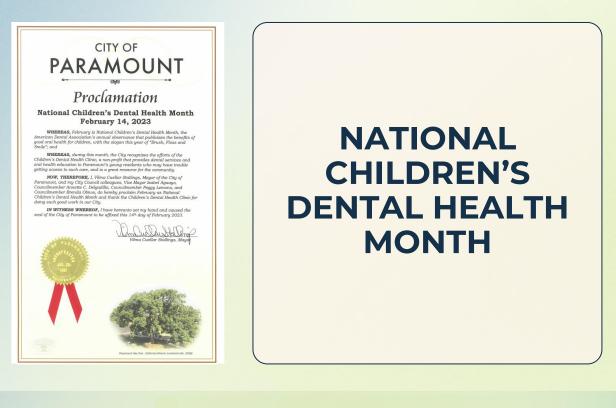


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CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT UPDATES

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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CONSENT CALENDAR



PARAMOUNT LIONS CLUB



History

- On January 15, 1947
 - The Lions Club of Paramount, comprising the communities of Hynes, Clearwater, and Hollydale, was granted a charter
 - Currently serves the Paramount community
- The Paramount Lions Club has participated extensively in civic and community projects in its charity activities
- The Lions Club has over a half century of service to Paramount
- Paramount Lions Club made SERVICE its motto as it strives to better the Paramount Community





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH

- December Toy Drive
 - Collected and donated toys for children during the holidays
- Holiday Tree Giveaway
 - Sponsored 5 families to receive trees in collaboration with the City of Paramount
 - Organized a food bank for those families and delivered food to them







Advocates for Education

- Vision Assistance Program
 - Students are referred by the Paramount Unified School District
 - Lions Club helps pay for eye exams, glasses, and other procedures
- Paramount Unified Donations
 - Donate to PHS Baseball team
 - PHS Leo's Club
 - Student Speech and Debate Team
 - Purchased blazers for students to wear at competitions
- Scholarships
 - Provide four \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors



Student Speaker Contest

- February 21st
 - Clearwater Building
- Provide an opportunity for students to engage in competitive public speaking
 - Subject of vital interest to the contestants and to audience.
 - Topic: Social Media
- To stimulate self-expression and independent thinking



2023 Topic:

"Social Media: Connects Us or Isolates us?"



Sponsored by The California Lions Clubs Multiple District Four

Scholarships Provided by The Fourth District Student Speakers Foundation



CHARITIES LIONS CLUB SUPPORTS

- PARAMOUNT HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
 PROGRAM
- PARAMOUNT HIGH SCHOOL LEO'S CLUB
- CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE
- PARAMOUNT FRIENDS OF LIBRARY
- PEP SCHOLARSHIP
- LIFEGATE CHURCH
- BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
- GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA

- LIONS EYE FOUNDATION
- CITY OF HOPE
- TERESITA PINES WILDERNESS CAMP
- FOUNDATION FOR THE JUNIOR BLIND
- SCHOOL EYE EXAM PROGRAM
- PARAMOUNT LION'S VISION ASSISTANCE
- LOS CERRITOS YMCA
- LION'S STUDENT SPEAKER PROGRAM





PARAMOUNT LIONS CLUB





2022 ANNUAL CRIME REPORT



BACKGROUND

- Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program collects crime data of reported violent and property crimes in the Nation
 - Violent Crimes: Homicide, Rape, Assault and Robbery
 - Property Crimes: Burglary, Theft, Auto Theft, and Arson
- Since 1956, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has collected UCR crime data on behalf of Paramount





UNIFORM CRIME REPORT DATA 2022

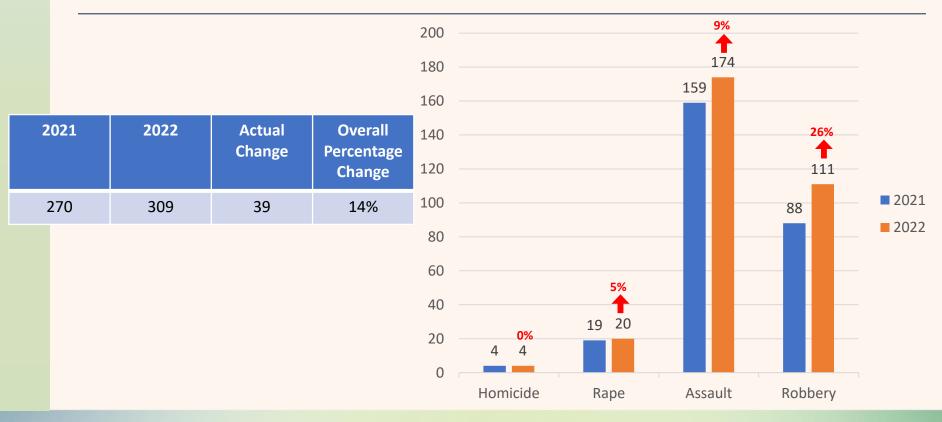


2022 UNIFORM CRIME REPORT (UCR): PART I CRIME



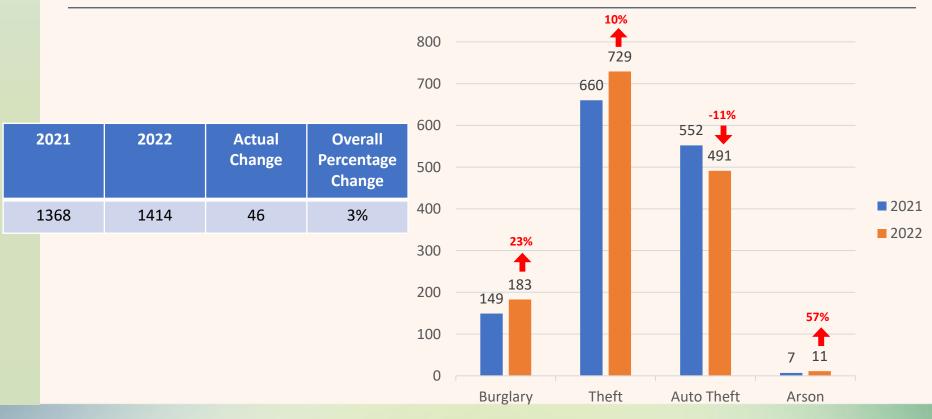


UCR – CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS





UCR – CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY



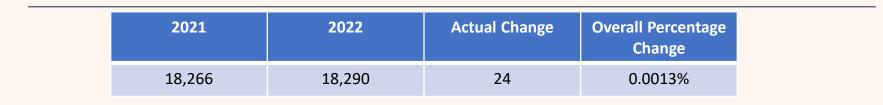
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CALLS FOR SERVICE, RESPONSE TIMES, AND ARREST DATA 2022



UCR – CALLS FOR SERVICE



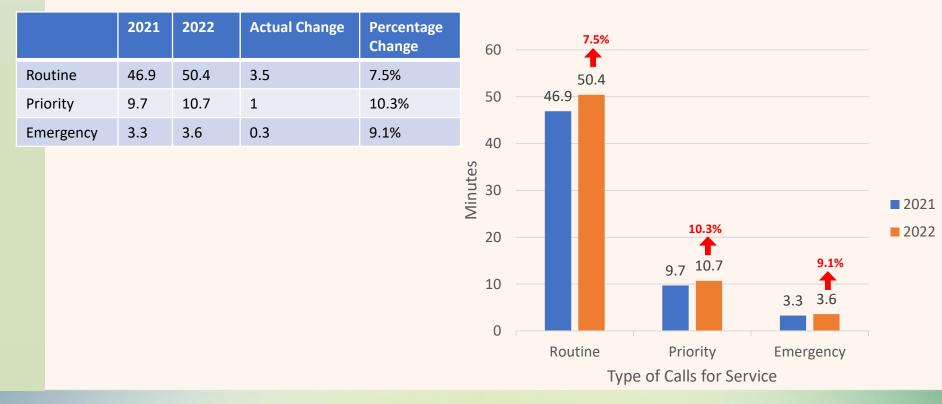




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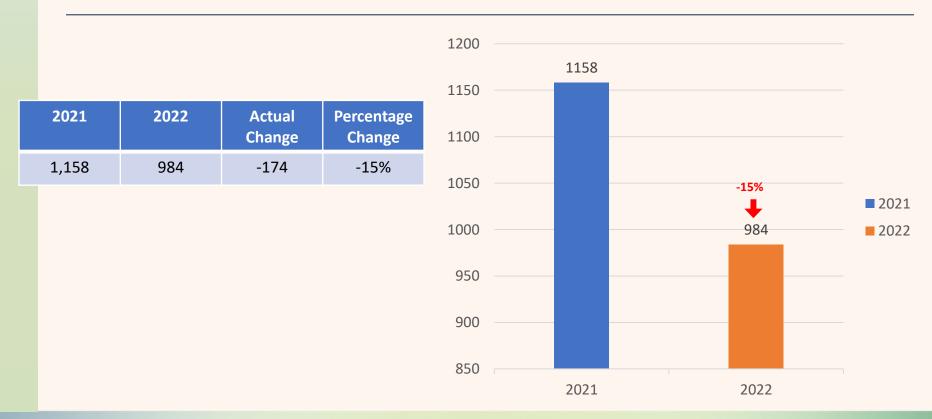
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RESPONSE TIMES IN PARAMOUNT





UCR – ARRESTS IN PARAMOUNT







RECOMMENDED ACTION

• It is recommended that the City Council receive and file this report.

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

• Safe Community





2022 ANNUAL CRIME REPORT





2022 PUBLIC SAFETY RESIDENT SATISFACTION SURVEY



BACKGROUND

- In 1997, Public Safety began collecting survey data of routine law enforcement and public safety services to determine the service quality
- The survey data is used to create the "In-the-line-of-Duty" report



SURVEY PROCESS

- Each day Public Safety staff conducts four quality assurance phone calls from the previous day
 - Two calls for Day Shift (Afternoon)
 - Two calls for PM Shift (Evening)
 - Staff asks 5 questions for each area of service



QUESTIONS

• The Public Safety staff asks five questions in each of the five areas:

Survey Questions:

- 1. Dispatching Services
- 2. Response Time
- 3. Law Enforcement Services
- 4. Overall Services
- 5. Satisfaction Form Compliance

Service Rating:

- Very Satisfied
- Satisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Indifferent



SUMMARY RATINGS

2022	Dispatch	Response Time	Reporting Officer	Overall Rating
Very Satisfied	42.6%	41.6%	51.6%	51.4% 98.9%
Satisfied	46.2%	45.7%	46.5%	47.5%
Indifferent	0%	0%	0%	O.1%
Dissatisfied	1.1%	2.9%	1.2%	1.0%
Not/Applicable	10.1%	9.8%	.7%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%



OVERALL RATING FOR PAST 5 YEARS

Year	Overall Rating	
2022	98.9%	
2021	98.1%	
2020	97.5%	
2019	97.6%	
2018	98.2%	





RECOMMENDED ACTION

• It is recommended that the City Council receive and file this report.

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PLANNING DEPARTMENT

2022 YEAR-END REVIEW

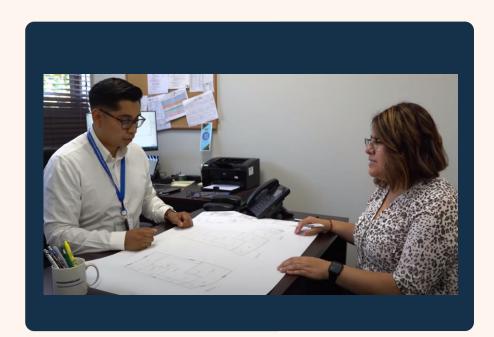


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Planning Department

- Building and Safety Division
- Planning Division
- Housing





Building and Safety Division

Total permits issued	1,137	
Total inspections performed	3,669	

- Electric vehicle (EV) permitting ordinance adopted
- Streamlined permitting process
- Offered more online options
- Virtual inspections





Planning Division

Administrative Actions (home additions, etc.)	61
Development Review Applications	8
Conditional Use Permits	11
Filming Permits	3
Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments	3
Zone Change	2
General Plan Amendment	
Tentative Parcel Map	1





Single-Family Homes Complete

- 19 finaled
 - 10 at 6500-6518 Alondra Blvd.
 - 8 at 15017-15031 Indiana Ave.
 - 1 at 15944 Orizaba Ave.









Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)

- ADUs are small homes, usually a new back house or converted garage
- 50 permits issued for ADUs in 2022
- 35 ADUs finaled in 2022
- "How to" video completed and on City website & YouTube page
- "Preapproved" plans (starter pack) coming Spring 2023





Accessory Dwelling Units 10



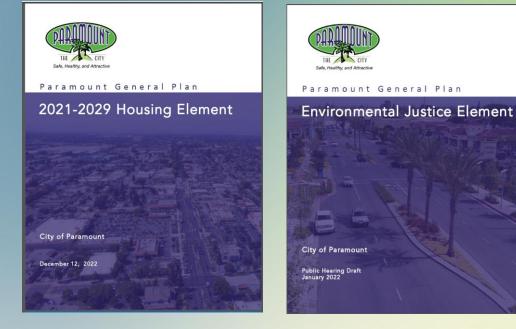
Projects in Construction





Housing Element & Environmental Justice Element

- Housing Element adopted by City Council & certified by State
- Environmental Justice Element adopted by City Council



North Paramount Gateway Specific Plan







Clear pedestrian pathways

Covered dining patio







Building material variation

Rain gardens/infiltration planters improve the public realm



Curb extensions as opportunities for sustainable applications





Bioswales in neighborhood conditions

Bioswales in urban conditions

Home Improvement Program

- Federal HOME funds
- 4 projects completed
 - 8400 block of Wilbarn St.
 - 15300 block of Verdura Ave.
 - 16300 block of Hunsaker Ave.
 - 13400 block of Jetmore Ave.
- Addition of mobile homes on fixed foundation
 - First City Council award of contract
 2/28/23





Wilbarn St.



Small Business Assistance

- Funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds
- Outreach
 - City's Website
 - Social media
 - Telephone
 - In-person
- <u>40 small businesses assisted</u>
 - Grant awards from \$7,500 \$20,000
 - Total \$672,500



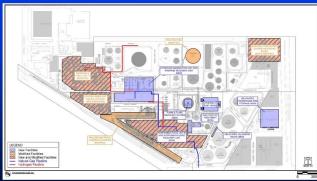


World Energy Refinery Conversion

- 63 permits issued for project
 - Electrical upgrades
 - Foundations for new equipment
- 50 permits still active (13 finaled)
- Wall along north side of refinery complete
- Monitoring and required project management plans ongoing
- Development Review Board approved new lab building; final plans being prepared



Location of proposed facilities





Downtown Paramount Wall Mural

- Rear of 8026 Alondra (adult daycare) & 2 adjacent residential properties
- Call for artists underway
- Deadline March 1 for submissions
 from experienced artists
- Staff committee will review applications
- Development Review Board approval on April 5
- Mural complete by June 5





RECOMMENDED ACTION

Receive and File







PLANNING DEPARTMENT

2022 YEAR-END REVIEW



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AMENDING CHAPTERS 8.04.010 AND 8.04.040 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE





AMENDING CHAPTERS 10.04.010 AND 10.04.020 OF THE PARAMOUNT MUNICIPAL CODE





PUBLIC HEARING: SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT OF 2021-2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO SUBMIT HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN



HOME-ARP Background

- The 2021 American Rescue Plan (ARP) stimulus bill included \$5 billion of HOME-ARP funds
- The funding is to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and other vulnerable populations
- HOME Program Participating Jurisdictions (PJs) are eligible to receive a one-time HOME-ARP grant
- Any changes to the Annual Action Plan, such as the allocation of additional funds, requires a substantial amendment
- City of Paramount has been awarded \$1,087,336 of HOME-ARP funding





QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

Funds must be used to primarily benefit individuals and families from the following qualifying populations:

- Homeless
- Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking
- At-risk of homelessness
- Other populations...
 - Households requiring assistance to prevent return to homelessness
 - At risk of housing instability

Qualifying population requirements vary between eligible activities



ELIGIBLE USES

- Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter
- HOME-ARP Rental Housing
- Supportive Services
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
- Nonprofit Operating & Capacity Building Assistance
- Admin & Planning

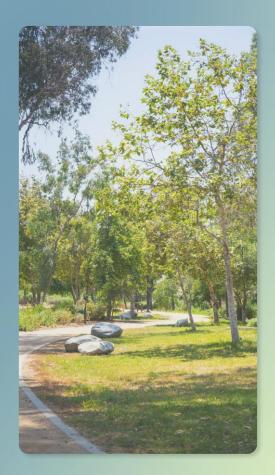




City's Proposed HOME-ARP Allocation

Activity	Funding Amount	Percent of Allocation	Statutory Limit
Tenant-based Rental Assistance	\$217,467	20%	
Supportive Services	\$652,402	60%	
Nonprofit Operating Assistance	\$54,367	5%	5%
Administration and Planning	\$163,100	15%	15%
Total HOME-ARP Allocation	\$1,087,336	100%	





Allocation Plan Process

- Staff has completed these four steps:
 - Consultation with stakeholder input
 - Needs Assessment and Gaps Analysis
 - Preparation of the draft allocation plan
 - Draft allocation plan made available to stakeholders and to the public (public comment period and public hearing)
- Now seeking approval to submit from City Council
- Submit as a substantial amendment to the 2021-22 Action Plan
 - Must use HUD-approved Allocation Plan template
 - Upload to the 2021 AP admin screen in IDIS





RECOMMENDED ACTION

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

It is recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing to receive comments from citizens concerning the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan and authorize the City Manager or his designee to submit to US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

- No. 1: Safe Community
- No. 6: Efficient, Effective, and Fiscally Responsible.





PUBLIC HEARING: SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT OF 2021-2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO SUBMIT HOME-ARP ALLOCATION PLAN





RESOLUTION NO. 23:005 JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST



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BACKGROUND

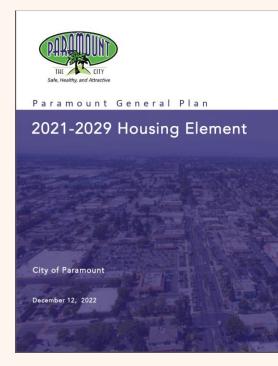
1/24/23 – Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) provided overview of the Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust Fund

Why?

- Cities are under pressure from the State to ensure the construction and longterm availability of <u>affordable housing</u>
- Since the end of redevelopment agencies in California in 2012, cities must reinvent their affordable housing programs
- Cities need to secure and advance new programs and tools to create affordable housing
- An <u>affordable housing trust fund</u> is one such means to create affordable units



HOUSING ELEMENT AND RHNA



Category	Final Allocation Plan	
Total RHNA	364	
Very-low income (<50% of AMI)	92	
Low income (50-80% of AMI)	43	
Moderate income (80-120% of AMI)	48	
Above moderate income (>120% of AMI)	181	

<u>183</u> affordable housing units



WHAT IS A HOUSING TRUST?

- Funding source to finance the preservation and production of affordable housing
- Established by local cities and county as a Joint Powers Authority
- Funding sources include local, state, and federal money



BENEFITS OF HOUSING TRUST



- More cities involved will leverage more funds and reduce overhead costs
- Trust supports local control
 - Will not regulate land use of cities
 - Will only support a housing development if the specific city supports the housing development

- The Trust provides gap funding for development of both affordable and supportive housing for populations that already exist within the community.
- The Trust helps finance development that contributes towards the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA).
- Membership supports the Trust efforts to bring Federal, State and County dollars into the region.
- The Trust is a regional collaborative that works with other entities involved in affordable and supportive housing in the region.
- The Trust implements the deployment of funds and compliance requirements of funds thus reducing staff workload.



TRUST TIMELINE





CONTRIBUTIONS

- Gateway Cities COG responsible for Trust's administrative costs until 6/30/24
- Beginning 7/2/24, member cities will contribute annual administrative fee based on city population
- Paramount's initial annual fee is \$15,000
- Contributions will rise based on area consumer price index (CPI)



RECOMMENDED ACTION

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

Adopt **Resolution No. 23:005**

2) Authorize the Mayor to execute the Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement

No. 1: Safe Community; No. 6: Efficient, Effective, and Fiscally Responsible Government







RESOLUTION NO. 23:005 JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST



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APPROVAL OF BIKEWAY LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR WSAB BIKEWAY PHASE 2 (CITY PROJECT NO. 9932)



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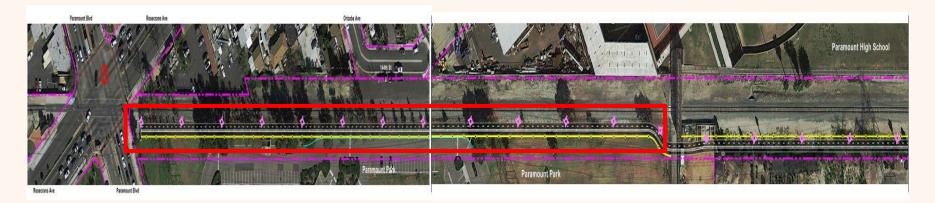
- Bikeway Trail Four Phases
 - I Lakewood Blvd. to Somerset Blvd.
 - II Somerset Blvd. to Rosecrans Ave.
 - III Rosecrans Ave. to Garfield Ave.
 - IV Garfield Ave. to LA River
- Allows for different funding sources
- Total 2.3 Miles
- Various Improvements





Phase 2

- Requires License Agreement with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA)
- Initial term is for 10 years, can be extended administratively





RECOMMENDED ACTION

• It is recommended that the City Council approve the bikeway license agreement between the City of Paramount and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for WSAB Bikeway Phase 2 and authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement.

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

• No. 2: Community Health and No. 5: Attractive and Well-Maintained Infrastructure.







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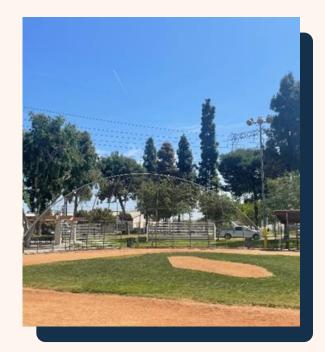


PROGRAM PARTNER AGREEMENT – ANNUAL UPDATE



Program Partner Agreement

- Program Partner Agreement (PPA) approved on March 17, 2020.
- Defined Expectations for City and Youth Leagues
 - If a youth league fails to meet the expectations, their status is evaluated by CS Director, then Parks and Recreation Commission and lastly, City Council
- PPA Refresher in December 2021 for all Leagues
- PPA Requirement provide an annual report on each youth league regarding their operation and status.





Paramount Youth Soccer Organization (PYSO)

- Recreation Season March to June, 2022
- 189 participants (80% PUSD / Paramount Residents)
 - 11 Youth Sports scholarships were awarded
- First youth league to work with accountant
- Good standing with the Franchise Tax Board and Secretary of State
- Active non-profit status with IRS
- Filed taxes in 2021
- Next steps: merging finances onto QuickBooks and training board members





WestCoast Rebels (WCR)

- Recreation Season September to December, 2022
- 61 participants (76% PUSD / Paramount Residents)
 - 17 Youth Sports scholarships were awarded
- Terminated with the Franchise Tax Board and not in good standing with Secretary of State
- Working with the youth league accountant to get an active 501(c)(3) status with IRS
- Next steps: Properly track income and expenses, merging finances onto QuickBooks and training board members





Paramount Junior Athletic Association (PJAA)

- Recreation Season April to June, 2022
- 87 participants (86% PUSD / Paramount Residents)
- No active 501(c)(3) with IRS since 2010 and non-existent status with Secretary of State and Franchise Tax Board
 - Estimated \$12,000 to rectify old tax exemption status
 - Accountant suggests to reapply under new name, estimated \$1,500
- Met with the youth league accountant in August 2022 and has not provided the accountant the necessary documentation to start reapplying or to review financials
- In violation of PPA which results in potential suspension of future permits, jeopardizing Spring season





PJAA Continued...

- PPA Annual Review presented to Parks and Recreation Commission on November 15, 2022.
- PJAA Status Update, including Spring season in jeopardy, presented to Parks and Recreation Commission on January 18, 2023.
- PJAA Outreach Timeline
 - No call / No show to three Zoom meetings with accountant in June and July.
 - Fall permits were placed on hold until PJAA met with accountant. VP met with accountant via Zoom in August.
 - Accountant asked for financial documents and has not been provided any.





PJAA Continued...

- Communication with PJAA since August 2022
 - 6 phone calls (3 to President, 3 to VP)/left messages
 - 2 live phone conversations with staff
 - 5 text messages to President & VP
 - 7 emails to President and VP asking for follow-up. Responses are delayed by days / weeks
 - 5 emails to President from accountant
- City's desire is to have the baseball league operate
- PPA requires financial transparency
- League is not meeting PPA requirements
- VP has requested help from City to run league without President.







RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file this report.

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES

No. 2: Community Health No. 6: Efficient, Effective and Fiscally Responsible







PROGRAM PARTNER AGREEMENT – ANNUAL UPDATE

