CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 21, 2024

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Item#8

CONS 24-260:

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the **Hayward Area Recreation and** Park District for Operations and **Maintenance of Certain** Landscape and Lighting Assessment **District Parks**

Lilia Corral

From:

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To: List-Mayor-Council

Subject: CONSENT Item 8 (CONS 24-260) - HARD

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Hello, I live at SoHay (condo) and pay a substantial amount of property (LLAD) tax for SoHay public park – I am happy to do so as long as the park is WELL maintained. Shortly after the developer (Taylor Morrison) first turned over the park to the City (and HARD assumed maintenance of it), the maintenance was horrible - weeds everywhere, dead plants, overflowing trash, etc. However, recently the maintenance has been much better (thanks, in part, I suspect, to City staff for staying on top of HARD for contractual maintenance responsibilities). I respectfully request that Council direct staff to monitor the parks for compliance with the new maintenance standards to ensure the City (and residents) are getting what we are paying for.

I also respectfully ask City to consider adding two provisions to the contract with HARD re: SoHay: (1) a hyperlink in Access Hayward to submit maintenance requests that are CC'ed to City but routed to HARD for action so City residents can have ONE portal to deal with (HARD does not have a web form or app ... you have to call or email them with problems), and (2) add basketball court provision to SoHay park as there is a ½ court basketball court there (seems to have been overlooked?).

Thank you,

Doug Mansel

Item#15

WS 24-018

Potential Ballot Measure to Extend Without Increasing the City of Hayward Half-Cent Sales Tax

City Council Meeting
May 21, 2024
Proposed Nov. 2024 Ballot Proposition on ½ cent sales tax extension:

Dear Mayor and City Council Members:

Much has been accomplished with Measure C sales tax which was overwhelmingly approved 10 years ago. I support the passage of the proposed 2024 measure to extend the existing ½ cent sales tax to support the priorities identified in the community surveys. I agree that public safety; maintaining and upgrading public infrastructure; safety net services; and disaster preparedness are priorities. As we consider extending this measure for another 20+ years, the biggest and most urgent City needs are in the areas of public safety, and affordable housing, especially with the lasting impact of the Covid pandemic.

These designated priorities are being incorporated in the proposed ballot question to encourage people to vote yes on this funding measure, assured that sales tax money will be spent to address the problems the community has identified. As I read the proposed ballot question in the City's mailer, priority #4 - providing "safety net services for those most in need," is **not** included! This omission must be corrected before the language is finalized. Lack of homeless housing facilities and resources is part of Public Safety, both for the housed and unhoused. Homelessness may not rank highest on surveys, but it's definitely on people's minds.

We are in a Housing Crisis! Long-term projects, such as The Depot, St Regis, and HEART are integral to the solution. The proposition needs to specify more of these types of housing solutions in the renewed Measure C. Hayward's homeless population appears to have been reduced according to the PIT count of January 2024. Let's keep this reduction on track by providing future funds to address this urgent, priority issue.

Ro Aguilar Hayward resident