

AGENDA

Escondido City Council Chambers
201 N. Broadway

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Commissioners Bologna, Franklin, Hernandez, Inscoc, Israel, Maehler, O'Brien, Spann, Stephens

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES for April 26, 2018

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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CURRENT BUSINESS

1. **RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATE**
(STAFF REPORT - Danielle M. Lopez - Community Services)

2. **OLDER ADULT PROGRAM UPDATE**
(STAFF REPORT – Jilaine Hernandez – Park Avenue Community Center)

3. **CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES**
(STAFF REPORT – Danielle M. Lopez – Community Services)

NEW BUSINESS

4. **KIT CARSON PARK – IRIS SANKEY ARBORETUM**
(STAFF REPORT - Danielle M. Lopez – Community Services)
5. **SEASONAL ICE RINK IN GRAPE DAY PARK**
(STAFF REPORT – Danielle M. Lopez – Community Services)

COMMISSION MEMBERS COMMENTS

Future Agenda Items

ADJOURNMENT

The date of the next meeting will be **Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers - City Hall.

TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

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CITY OF ESCONDIDO

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION

April 26, 2018

The regular meeting of the Community Services Commission was called to order at 5:03 p.m., Thursday, by Commissioner Bologna in the City Council Chambers, 201 North Broadway, Escondido, California.

Members present: Commissioner Bologna, Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Inscoe, Commissioner Hernandez, Commissioner Israel, Commissioner Stephens, and Commissioner Spann.

Commissioners absent: Chair Simonson and Commissioner Maehler.

Staff present: Karen Williams, Community Services Manager; Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services; Joanna Axelrod, Director of Communications and Community Services; Jilaine Hernandez, Supervisor III; Robert Rhoades, Supervisor III; Micaela Doucette, Supervisor III; Janet Rulien, Administrative Coordinator; and Ty Paulson, Minutes Clerk.

MINUTES:

Moved by Commissioner Stephens, seconded by Commissioner Inscoe, to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2017, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None.

Patricia Borchmann, President of Chamber of Citizens, (ECOC), referenced a letter she had provided to the Commission dated April 26, 2018 regarding ECOC's concerns with the landscape and infrastructure conditions at Kit Carson Park area and the disc golf area next to Iris Sankey Magical Garden. She noted they were concerned with the disc golf activity damaging trees and landscaping and asked that the Commission agendaize an item to discuss these issues at its next meeting.

Commissioner Bologna noted that the City takes things seriously about the parks.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. RECREATION PROGRAM UPDATE

Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services, and Joanna Axelrod, Director of Communications and Community Services, provided the Recreation

Program updates and requested input.

Karen Williams, Community Services Manager, provided the Community Services Update as well as an update on the Kit Carson Park and trails and requested input.

Commissioner Spann expressed her enthusiasm with the updates occurring at the City's pools.

Commissioner Bologna asked if the Sports Center hockey floors were completed. Director Lopez replied in the affirmative.

Discussion ensued regarding the Franklyn Graham and Jeremy Camp event in Grape Day Park on May 20th.

Commissioner Israel thanked ASES for their community involvement.

2. LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO - Update

Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services, referenced the staff report and noted that on April 18th City Council made a formal commitment to participate in the Live Well Program.

Joanna Axelrod, Director of Communications and Community Services, explained that being part of the Live Well program opened great opportunities for grants, positive press, and the ability to interact with other Live Well city partners.

3. CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES

Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services, provided an overview of the Capital Project updates and requested input.

Commissioner Hernandez asked staff where the Capital Project funds came from. Director Lopez noted the funds came from the Park Development fund.

Commissioner Franklin asked if there were any plans to update the basketball courts at Washington Park. Director Lopez replied in the negative but noted staff could forward any concerns on to the appropriate departments.

Commissioner Spann and staff discussed the area being proposed for the remote control car track at Jesmond Dene Park as well as possible conflicts between BMX activities and RC activities.

Commissioner Bologna and staff discussed the status of the concession stands at the adult field, housing related park grants, and the status of the Grape Day Park bathrooms.

Commissioner Stephens and staff discussed the proposed scheduling process for the tennis courts. Commissioner Stephens noted that some individuals might not have access to online reservations for the tennis courts. Ms. Axelrod noted that patrons would still be able to call in to make reservations.

Commissioner Bologna was in favor of a public/private partnership for the tennis courts.

Commissioner Spann expressed her enthusiasm with the lighting improvements at Kit Carson Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jilaine Hernandez, Community Services Supervisor III, noted that COMPACT would be helping with the Senior Senior Prom on May 5th at 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Park Avenue Community Center.

COMMISSION MEMBERS COMMENTS: None.

Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Bologna asked staff to agendaize the item brought by Patricia Borchmann regarding concerns about the infrastructure and disc golf at Kit Carson Park.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m. The next regular meeting was scheduled for July 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Joanna Axelrod, Director of
Communications and Community
Services

Ty Paulson, Minutes Clerk

**COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMISSION**

Agenda Item No.: 1
Date: 10.25.18

TO: Members of the Community Services Commission

FROM: Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services
Community services Supervisors

SUBJECT: Recreation Programs and ASES Update

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

Each season the Recreation Division provides opportunities for all ages to engage in high quality programs, classes and activities that promote and encourage healthy living through physical activity, life-long learning and engagement.

The following report highlights some of the accomplishments and upcoming activities for the Recreation Division.

Recreation Classes

- The Winter/Spring 2019 recreation guide will be available to the public in early December, with registration opening on December 3, 2018.
- In an effort to work with other City departments, we are featuring the following department ads: Visit Escondido, the Fire Department, the ASES After School Program, and Public Works Report It/Graffiti Kits. Also featured, will be the Reidy Creek Golf Course and SD Nights.
- The Third Annual Summer Kick-Off event will be advertised on the inside front cover. This free community event highlights the various classes and activities offered during the summer season.

East Valley Community Center (EVCC)

- Classical Academy High School continues to rent the East Valley Community Center Gymnasium for various sports activities including boys' and girls' basketball and volleyball. They are currently in girls volleyball season and utilize the gym an average of ten hours per week in addition to hosting home games. They will be transitioning into girls' and boys' basketball once the volleyball season is over, with similar gym hours and use.

- Classical Academy Middle School now rents the Gymnasium once a week for Boys' and Girls' Volleyball.
- The North County Senior Women's Basketball league continue to rent the gymnasium for practices, and will continue to rent throughout the year.
- Heritage Charter School returned in August for various rentals. Heritage Flex Academy rents the dance studio for two hours per week to offer dance classes for their students, while its junior high rents the gym monthly for assemblies and awards ceremonies.
- Pee Wee Playtime is held on Wednesday mornings for participants ranging in ages six months to five years, with an average of 10 participants.
- The EVCC continues to partner with the San Diego Fencing Center to host tournaments. Their third and most recent tournament hosted over 500 participants and their families in the facility. They used two of the meeting rooms, and the full gymnasium over the course of the three days.
- The EVCC will be closed December 25, 2018 - January 1, 2019, for annual maintenance. During that time the gym and dance Studio floors will be resurfaced, and the facility's carpets will be deep cleaned.
- Through a partnership with San Diego County, the East Valley Community Center will host a weekly Friday evening program called SD Nights beginning in 2019. The program is aimed at youth ages 13-18 with the goal of providing fun, free, healthy activities, mentorship, and leadership training.

Aquatics Programs- James A. Stone and Washington Park Pools

- Swim Club/ Water Polo - Renegade Aquatics continues to offer competitive swim team and water polo programs at both Washington Park and James A. Stone pools. Water polo operates four days a week, averaging eight to 10 hours of use and the swim team operates five days per week averaging 10 hours of use per week. These programs attract athletes from all over North County.

Learn to Swim Lessons

- The Summer Learn to Swim Program hosted 278 classes, ages six months to adult, and had over 1,400 participants.
- Through a Community Development Block Grant, 177 participants were able to receive four sessions of discounted swim lessons in FY 17/18.

Open Swim

- Open Swim ran seven days a week, from June 10 through August 11. Over 1,200 people visited the pools during Open Swim this past summer.

Facility Rental

- Escondido High School and Classical Academy High School are finishing the Boys' Water Polo Season now and will be continuing their rentals along with Orange Glen High School into the Girls' Water Polo season. Each team is expected to use the pool a minimum of 10 hours per week.

Escondido Sports Center (ESC) at Kit Carson Park Youth Soccer – Ages 3 to 14

The youth soccer program provides a fun, engaging season of skill building and team sport awareness.

- The summer season ran for eight weeks, starting July 10, and had 320 participants.
- The current fall season began on September 27, and will run for 10 weeks. Currently there are 360 participants registered. This is one of our highest enrollments and is a 12% increase from the previous year fall program.
- Seventy-five volunteer coaches currently assist with the Youth Soccer Program.

Roller Hockey Leagues

- The youth roller hockey program is currently contracted through San Diego Inline Hockey League. There are nine teams currently registered in the high school varsity, junior varsity, and middle school divisions.
- Adult roller hockey, a City-run program, consists of 22 teams. The current season began on September 11, and will run through December 9, 2018. The Winter/Spring season will be held January – May 2019.

Escondido Skate Park

- July 1, 2018 - October 1, 2018 - 1,816 participants attended open skate sessions.
- June 25-29 and July 23-27, 2018 - Scooter Farm Summer Camps taught by pro riders hosted 28 participants for these week long skill camps.
- July 21, 2018 - Sports Center staff coordinated the annual Skate Park Lock-In. This overnight event allows participants to use the facility from 10 pm-8 am. Twenty-seven kids enjoyed an evening of scootering, BMX, skate, dodgeball, kickball, basketball and floor hockey. City staff ensured a well supervised and fun overnight experience.
- August 2, 2018, AO Scooters Ride Day, the AO Scooters International Pro team came to the Escondido Skate Park, gave autographs, provided prizes and giveaways to the over 30 riders in attendance. The team put on an awesome demonstration.
- September 1, 2018, the Escondido Sports Center staff hosted the ESCOOTER Competition, a Pro/Am Scooter Competition with 87 riders from across the United States registered. Riders traveled from Indiana, Arizona, Nevada and other states to compete in six different skill levels from Jr. Beginner to Pro. The Pro division's \$1,000 1st Place Prize was won by a Nitro Circus athlete. Over 20 sponsors contributed prizes for our amateur divisions. Four sponsors, The Scooter Farm, Scooter Zone, Port Technology, and Vokul Scooters, contributed to the \$2000 total Prize Purse for the Pro division.
- September 5, 2018- construction of a new jump box feature in the center of the Skate Park was completed. This feature has already become the favorite ramp for riders of all wheel action sports (scooter, BMX, skate and rollerblade) and adds a whole new dynamic for competitions and events.

Skate Park Events include:

- October 13 – District Scooters Ride Day: Giveaways for all riders in attendance, top pro rider appearances, and mini competitions for prizes.
- October 27 - The Scooter Farm Ride Day: The biggest Scooter shop on the West Coast will present a ride day with music, giveaways for all riders in attendance, top pro rider appearances, and Chick-fil-A foods.

Upcoming non-City sponsored events held at Kit Carson Park:

- 10/26 - 10/28 – Giro di San Diego Granfondo
- 11/10 – Pink Bra Run
- 11/17 – Church Service Day
- 12/1 – Operation Courage is Beautiful 5K
- 12/14 – SD Aces Disc Golf Tournament
- Various Cross Country Meets

Youth Programs

Tiny Tots Preschool

- The Summer Tots program remains a popular preschool camp, maintaining full enrollment with waiting lists throughout the summer.
- During the 2017/2018 school year, the Wee Tots classes, 18 months-three years, maintained an average capacity of 98%.
- While some of the Little Tots and Super Tots classes did not fill to capacity, the small class sizes allowed for more individualized attention.

ASES Before/After School Program

- The ASES before school programs continue to exceed attendance expectations with 130% average daily attendance (ADA).
- The 2017/2018 school year was the first year in over five years that 100% of the grant monies were expended.
- The full day kindergarten program at Rock Springs Elementary continues to serve students of parents that require full day care without any cost to them.

Drop-in After School Program

- Attendance goals for the 2017/2018 school year were exceeded by over 9%.
- The program grew by 15% over the previous year.
- The program generated over \$207,000, exceeding revenue expectations by 26%.

Spring/Summer Camp

- The summer camp program stayed consistent with an average weekly attendance of 53 campers, plus occasional daily drop-ins.
- The Counselor in Training Program (CIT) which provides leadership training and skill building activities for our older youth, exceeded expectations. This allowed us to increase the capacity, accommodating additional youth and increasing our revenue.
- For the first time, the Community Services Department partnered with The Terraces Apartments to offer summer programming to residents. The Camp ran for eight weeks throughout the summer, generating unanticipated revenue and serving over 20 participants per day.

POWER Mobile Recreation

- Held at Grove Park, the POWER Mobile Recreation Program provides a valuable service to the surrounding neighborhood by offering games, activities, and free lunch to the participants.
- Summer 2018 served over 600 students over the course of the six-week program. This represented a 96% increase in participation from the Summer of 2017.
- The program served an average of 40 participants per day.

Youth & Adult Sports

Youth Sports Leagues and Tournaments

- In July, Kit Carson Park hosted the annual Triple Crown World Series. The tournament brought in teams from all over the western region of the United States with close to 40 teams and as many as 600 families.
- Ryan Park hosted the Dave Shelton Youth Soccer Tournament with 120 teams and 1,800 families.
- We have seen an increase in participation in all of our youth sports leagues, in particular; soccer, baseball, and girls' softball.
- With sports tourism becoming an increasing trend across the country, Escondido is becoming a destination for youth sports tournaments.

Adult Softball Leagues/Tournaments

- Adult softball participation continues to increase. The summer season brought in 78 teams.
- Kit Carson Park hosted three adult softball tournaments.
- Ryan Park hosted the annual Peninsula Women's Soccer League (PWSL) adult soccer tournament in the Women's and Coed divisions.

PAL Basketball

- Currently in the fall season, the league has 160 children enrolled. This is double the fall enrollment last year
- The annual Officers vs. Alumni game, held in August, was another success with the officers winning the game in overtime.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES
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Agenda Item No.: 2
Date: 10-25-18

TO: Members of the Community Services Commission
FROM: Jilaine Hernandez, Supervisor III
SUBJECT: Older Adult Services Update Summer 2018- Fall 2018

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

The mission of the Older Adult Services Division is to provide healthy, vibrant living through meaningful social and community connections. One of the main goals is to foster independence and vitality through participation in programs and services that offer lifelong learning and social and volunteer opportunities for seniors 50+.

Summer 2018 Highlights (June – August)

Senior Activities

- June 2 – The Park Avenue Community Center (PACC) participated at the 2018 Aging Summit.
- June - Escondido Police Department (EPD) received a pedestrian safety grant to help educate the community. The EPD noticed a necessity to teach and remind the senior population the importance of safety while crossing streets. Several classes are scheduled to provide seniors this vital information.
- June 14 – the summer carnival was sponsored by Elmcroft Senior Living. The seniors enjoyed the ball toss, ring throw, giant size bowling, Frisbee throw, and other fun games. Prizes were won by all.
- July – July was Parks and Recreation month! The seniors had the opportunity to play a version of their favorite Price is Right game, Plinko. Each person was given a fact about parks and recreation as well.
- July 4 – The seniors had the pleasure of celebrating July 4th early with a concert by Camryn and Olivia. They are the daughters of our staff member, Barbara Capizzi.
- July 12 – Superhero Day, the seniors enjoyed a special visit from Batman.
- July 10 & 24 - *Talk Tuesday* presentations were given by Escondido Post-Acute Rehab and SCAN Health Plan where they educated the seniors about rehabilitation benefits and making the most of doctor visits.
- August 14 – Talk by Alzheimer's Association where the seniors were educated on how to keep your brain healthy and how to build your support system if you are affected by Alzheimer's.
- August 16 – Fun movie day to watch *A League of Their Own*.
- August 28 – Art with Lina was an opportunity for seniors to create art piece for the Wellness Expo.

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Fall 2018 (September – December)

Senior Activities

- September 8 - San Diego Senior Games shuffleboard tournament, 30 vendors, three areas with art displayed by Escondido seniors.
- September 21 – Mini Golf Day, sponsored by Health Net.
- September 25 – 12th Annual Escondido Community Wellness Expo.
- September 26 – Johnny Appleseed Day, sponsored by Health Net.
- October 9 – Talk Tuesdays, healthy snacking sponsored by Oasis.
- October 15 – SDG&E Informational Presentation.
- October 31 – Monster Bash.
- November – Art with Lina.
- November 21 – Holiday luncheon.
- December – Soupersacks.
- December 1 – Saturday Night Dance with Calico Ridge.
- December 5 – Holiday Card Making.
- December 20 – Holiday songs with Peter Seltser.
- December 21 – Holiday luncheon.

Facility Update

- A fence was installed at the front of the building and an exterior gated door was installed on the east nutrition door to prevent transients from sleeping in the areas overnight.
- On the west side of the main building, handrails were upgraded and painted.
- On the west side of the main building, a crack in the concrete was repaired. The concrete was able to be extended to provide an area for a loading/unloading zone.
- The Community Services Department is partnering with the Lake Hodges Native Plant Club to enhance the west courtyard adjacent to the auditorium. The garden will be filled with diverse, native plants, which are both beautiful and require less irrigation and upkeep. All plants and labor will be donated by the Lake Hodges Native Plant Club.
- We have two new department specialists, Vanessa Arguelles and Beverly Dundon.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES
COMMISSION**

Agenda Item No.: 3
Date: 10.25.18

TO: Members of the Community Services Commission
FROM: Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services
SUBJECT: Capital Project Update
RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

The following provides an update on capital projects related to the Community Services Department.

Kit Carson Park - Lighting

This project will install lighting throughout Kit Carson Park, where lighting currently does not exist, and includes adding conduit for a future security camera system. This project is still under review and is expected to be advertised in the fall.

Washington Park Skate Spot

Funding has been set aside (\$300,000) in the Capital Improvement Program to design and construct a 5,000 sq. ft. "skate spot" in Washington Park. The design will incorporate the latest trends and features found in all-wheel skating facilities. The skate spot will be located north of the Washington Park Pool Building, adjacent to the basketball courts.

A focus group involving Community Services, Planning, Engineering, Police, and City Manager's staff has been established to discuss the parameters and conditions for siting and constructing the facility. A Request for Proposal (RFP) has been drafted and will be advertised in the next week or two to solicit bids for design. Further community outreach, fundraising, and pursuing corporate sponsorships will take place throughout the process.

Security Gates at PACC

The Park Avenue Community Center security gates have been completed. A wrought iron gate has been installed around the front and both sides of the Park Avenue Community Center. Not only do the gates provide additional security, they also add a beautiful architectural element to the facility.

Housing Related Parks Grant

Escondido received a \$1.2 million grant from the Housing-Related Parks (HRP) program to conduct necessary major maintenance and/or construct new facilities in the City's low income park-deficient neighborhoods. The grant is under a deadline to spend prior to summer 2019. Staff have evaluated the condition of facilities at the various parks slated for improvements and are prioritizing a very long

list of maintenance projects. We expect the majority of the grant to be spent in Washington Park including improvements to the recreation building, pool house, park restrooms, ballfield, tennis courts and parking lot. Staff are also gathering quotes on the cost to resurface the basketball courts in the hopes that there will be enough funding to cover this maintenance as well. Other facilities and parks receiving improvements include the EVCC, James Stone Pool, Grove and Westside Park restrooms, Grape Day Park and the Mathes Center.

Kit Carson Park Tennis Courts

In May, 2018, the City Council approved CIP funding in the amount of \$150,000 for the repair and resurfacing of the ten tennis courts at the Ray Love Tennis center in Kit Carson Park. A formal bid was advertised in September 2018. Four quotes were received ranging from \$58,150 - \$91,320. Staff have reviewed the quotes and have notified the lowest responsive bidder. We anticipate construction will begin in late November with a completion date in December, weather permitting.

Staff continue to research and vet moving to a membership based management model for the Ray Love Tennis Center. Public outreach events will begin in November to inform users of the possible changes, receive feedback on the proposal, and gauge interest in the forming of a board.

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**COMMUNITY SERVICES
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Agenda Item No.: 4
Date: 10.25.18

TO: Members of the Community Services Commission
FROM: Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services
SUBJECT: Iris Sankey Arboretum

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

Upon receiving concerns regarding the Iris Sankey Arboretum at the April Community Services Commission meeting, staff from the Community Service Department met with Patricia Borchmann, Grant Taylor, and Jerry Harmon to hear their concerns and assess the site. It was determined that their concerns with the condition of the arboretum were confined to the two entrances at either end of the grove. Much of the vegetation was brown and appeared to be dead but upon closer examination new growth was detected.

It was suggested that simply providing intermittent watering would greatly improve the condition of these areas, address their concerns, and avoid the need for replanting. There is an existing irrigation system installed, but it does not seem to be functional. Staff will follow up with the Public Works Department to determine the status of the irrigation system and request repairs if necessary.

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**COMMUNITY SERVICES
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Agenda Item No.: 5
Date: 10.25.18

TO: Members of the Community Services Commission
FROM: Danielle Lopez, Assistant Director of Community Services
SUBJECT: Seasonal Ice Rink in Grape Day Park

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and provide direction to staff.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this report is to provide general information regarding Commissioner Maehler's request to discuss providing an outdoor ice rink in Grape Day Park during the Christmas season. The following is a general overview of the types of rinks available and what goes into providing them.

TYPES OF SEASONAL ICE RINKS

Permanent ice rink installation, e.g. Rady Children's Ice Rink at Liberty Station

The Rady Children's Ice Rink at Liberty Station is uniquely designed underground, and is the first of its kind in Southern California.

- Pipes are installed below a 1 ¼ inch concrete slab.
- A water mixture is pumped from a chiller, through the pipes under the concrete causing water to freeze on top. The mixture then returns to the chiller, removing any heat from the mixture, starting the process again.
- A separate SDGE meter is installed to isolate electric usage for the rink.
- Cost information was not available, but would likely be in the million-dollar range.

Rental of a portable ice rink:

A portable ice rink system is temporary, and can be stored when not in use.

- A frame is constructed to hold a liner that will contain the water/skating surface.
- A piping system is built into the ice slab and attached to a refrigeration unit similar to the system described above.

- Cost \$50,000 - \$150,000 based on size, type, etc.

Synthetic Ice Rink Installation:

An artificial skating surface that consists of a system of panels that snap together to form a skating surface.

- A synthetic ice skating surface is composed of a blend of polymers that permit a skate blade to glide as smoothly as it does on real ice.
- In most cases, a sub-floor system is required to be laid first and would come at an additional cost.
- Sizes typically range from 49 panels which yields a 28' x 56' skating surface that can accommodate 30 skaters to 100 panels, which yields a 40' x 80' skating surface and can accommodate as many as 60 skaters at one time.
- Cost is \$225/panel.

Seasonal ice rinks require an enormous amount of planning. In addition to the logistics and cost of building and maintaining or renting a seasonal ice rink as well as acquiring ice skates for rentals, additional staff would be needed to sell tickets, collect liability waivers, manage skate rentals, provide security, etc. Boards or rail systems, power supply, electrical, lighting, site preparation and maintenance of equipment are additional costs that need to be taken into consideration as well.

Due to the logistics and significant cost for this type of activity, staff recommend not pursuing this as a City-sponsored event. However, as the California Center for the Arts Escondido (CCAЕ) already hosts a Winter Wonderland festival that includes a "real snow" feature, this may be something the Commission could suggest to CCAЕ leadership for consideration.