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MEMORANDUM

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To: City Council Members

CC: Mike Applegarth, Council Executive Director

From: Zach Robinson, Council Member At-large

Subject: Second Reading: Creating a timeline and implementing incremental decision making as related to Alta Canyon Sports Center

Throughout my tenure on the Council, we have repeatedly held markedly similar conversations about Alta Canyon Sports Center with very little movement towards making any real decisions. The future of Alta Canyon is a complicated question that we cannot expect to answer all at once. Instead, the Council needs to take a step back, stop trying to solve the problem in one fell swoop, and focus on smaller and more incremental decisions. Tonight, I would like the Council to begin this process by implementing additional structure, committing to dates, and outlining incremental decisions that we can take to help us more efficiently solve this very important issue.

During our discussion on July 27th the Council encouraged me to move forward with my initial proposal, giving me a few recommendations for potential changes. I did my best to incorporate as many of those recommendations as possible in my final proposal (Exhibit "A"). I would like to point out that I've changed the discussion dates from date specific to "TBD" (to be determined) while maintaining the "latest completion dates" for each of the topics. This change is meant to allow the Council to move as quickly (or slowly) through the discussion process as is necessary, while still holding us accountable to a deadline for each topic. You will also notice that I added a "major decision" at the end of each topic that would require us to identify an appropriate timeline for the next topic in line. I believe that following this format will allow us to have more focused discussions, allow for individual Council members to bring forward their proposals on each topic at the appropriate time, and encourage the Council to make the necessary decisions regarding Alta Canyon more efficiently. To that end, I propose that the Council adopt the attached timeline found in Exhibit "A".

Exhibit "A"

Topic	Discussion Date(s)	Discussion Items	Major Decisions	Latest completion date:
Outline Future Discussions	7/27/2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the major decisions that need to be discussed and made as related to Alta Canyon Sports Center? 2. Can the Council make these decisions incrementally? 3. What is the timeline, deadlines, and dates for these conversations 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adopt a plan of attack moving forward with a process and outline to address the pressing considerations at Alta Canyon 	8/31/2021
Governing Structure of Alta Canyon	9/14/2021	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What should be the governing structure of Alta Canyon? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the Alta Canyon Board remain or get dissolved? 3. Identify timeline for next topic of discussion 	12/31/2021
Financing - Major improvements	TBD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are the options for the taxing district? 2. What are our options for funding major improvements at Alta Canyon? 3. What are the major improvements we should be considering (if any?) 4. How does these options impact taxpayers? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does the Special Services District remain, change, or get dissolved? 2. How should we finance major improvements? (user fees, bonding, general fund, property tax increase, other) 3. What level of major improvement are we willing to invest in? 4. Identify timeline for next topic of discussion 	6/30/2022
Operations	TBD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Depending on the governing structure, what options do we have in terms of how Alta Canyon operates? 2. What are our options/preferences for financing the operations of Alta Canyon? 3. How can we better understand what programs Alta Canyon should provide? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where does Alta Canyon fit operationally within the City? 2. How should the ongoing operations of Alta Canyon be financed? 3. Which Alta Canyon programs are important to the Council? 3. Identify timeline for next topic of discussion 	6/30/2022
Long-term Vision	TBD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is the future of Alta Canyon and where can/should it go? 2. What is the feedback and recommendations that we've received from our area experts (AECOM)? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reassess and determine next steps 	TBD