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## MEMORANDUM

July 27, 2021

To: City Council Members

CC: Mike Applegarth, Council Executive Director

From: Zach Robinson, Council Member At-large

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

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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 complex and 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.

To that end, I propose the following process and outline for our future discussions on Alta Canyon (**Exhibit "A"**). I am open to additional discussion items and/or minor re-arrangements to my proposal. I would like to ask that during tonight's discussion we do not get into the details or fall back into the trap of discussing the future of the Center in its entirety. If we do that, I believe strongly that we will not make any headway. Instead let us focus only on planning out the process, content, dates, and logistics of future discussions and decisions.

**Exhibit "A"**

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