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MEMORANDUM

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To: City Council Members
From: Council Member Robinson
Subject: March 29 Alta Canyon Discussion

In early 2020 the City Council underwent a capital projects prioritization process, which led to the identification of the Alta Canyon Sports Center (AC) as one of a handful of capital priorities. Once AC was identified as a council priority, the administration hired a consultant (AECOM) to conduct a feasibility analysis. In 2021 the Council adopted a timeline (Exhibit "A") for our decision-making surrounding the Alta Canyon Sports Center and the Special Service District that supports the Center. Of the five steps in the outline, we've made it to step 3: "financing major improvements." There are three questions that the council needs to answer while working through this step:

1. Which scenario(s) is the council interested in pursuing (March 29, 2022)?
2. What happens to the Special Service District (April 26, 2022)?
3. How do we fund the selected improvements (May 10, 2022)?

On March 29th AECOM will be joining us to brief the Council on their recommendations and the options for improvements to the Alta Canyon Sports Center. Those who were on the Council last year, may remember the initial presentation of these recommendations on October 26, 2021 ([Video Recording](#)). If haven't see this presentation, I'd suggest watching prior to our discussion on March 29th.

Following AECOM's briefing I'd like the Council to have a discussion regarding the presented scenarios and then narrow the list to 2 alternatives. Once we have narrowed the list, I'd like the Council to take the two preferred scenarios through a public comment and feedback process over the coming 1-2 months prior to the adoption of the upcoming fiscal year budget. During this same period the council discuss and answer the remaining questions on April 26th and May 10th, with the goal of finalizing a plan and direction for Alta Canyon prior to June 30th.

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 | 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 |