



City of Corona

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Minutes - Draft

Public Services Committee

*VICE MAYOR KAREN SPIEGEL
COUNCIL MEMBER RANDY FOX*

*ADVISORY MEMBER
PARKS & REC COMM VICE CHAIR MICHELE WENTWORTH
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEE CONNIE NEWHAN*

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

3:30 PM

Council Board Room

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Council Member Fox at 3:30 pm. In addition to the Committee Members, the following individuals were in attendance:

Darrell Talbert, City Manager
Lana Yoshimura, Adm. Srv. Manager
Michael Mitchell, Recreation Supervisor

Kerry Eden, Asst. City Mgr./Admin Svcs Dir.
David Montgomery-Scott, Lib. & Rec. Srv. Dir.
Sylvia Edwards, Asst. to City Mgr.

Others Present:

Jerry Wilson, Corona Chamber of Commerce
Brett McIntosh, Crossroads Christian Church
Joe Morgan, Resident
Wes Speake, Library Board of Trustee

Agenda Items

2. [17-1183](#) Discussion of Crossroads Christian Church and School Partnership with City of Corona Library and Recreation Services Department Activities and Events.
(Library & Recreation Services)
Action: Information & Discussion

Attachments: [Crossroads and Corona Partnership](#)

Mr. David Montgomery-Scott, Library and Recreation Director, introduced the item and provided a PowerPoint presentation on the cost savings partnership with Crossroads Christian Church and School (Crossroads) and the City. He stated that the partnership represents the City's Strategic Plan Goal #4 to actively engage in public and private partnership to provide service amenities. During the presentation, Mr. Montgomery-Scott discussed the history, overview, proposal and the benefits to the partnership. He reported that Crossroads has historically partnered with the City Kids & Cops program, parking for the Independence Day

event, and provided volunteer services for various City events. For the past two years, Crossroads has rented City facilities.

The proposed partnership would be for Crossroads School to use the Circle City Center gym, Civic Center gym (as an alternate) and the El Cerrito Park fields for baseball as their home court/field. The fields would be used immediately after school from 2pm-6pm. In return, Crossroads will contribute a minimum of 12 players to serve as volunteer coaches/referees/scorekeepers for Tiny Tot and Rec Division B-ball, congregants as youth sports volunteers, host a Craft Booth at the Holiday Lighting event to include staff and supplies, and in return to allow for the use of Crossroads facilities to enhance the City's youth sports programs (discounted rate) for Tiny Tot Roller Hockey League and flag football championship games in their stadium.

Mr. Montgomery-Scott explained that Crossroads receives the City's non-profit rate for the facility rentals at a cost of \$9,040. As part of the proposed partnership, Crossroads will receive a 50% discount which brings their facility rental cost to a total of \$4,520. He noted that the contribution value for the services Crossroads will be providing totals \$5,597. Mr. Montgomery-Scott also noted that staff proposed charging \$5 for parking at Crossroads during the Independence Day Celebration and sharing the revenue. Crossroads did not agree to charge for parking because they want to provide parking to the community at no cost. Ms. Michelle Wentworth, Advisory Member, expressed her concern with Crossroads not willing to charge for parking since the revenue would help with the cost of the Independence Day Celebration event.

The Committee discussed the proposed partnership with Crossroads. Mr. Wes Speake, Library Board Trustee, asked for clarification on "home" fields and Mr. Montgomery-Scott responded that Crossroads would use the facilities to host home games. Mr. Speake also inquired about anyone being displaced from the facilities due to the proposed request. Mr. Montgomery-Scott responded that no one will be displaced, the only impact would occasionally be to the open play hours, which are posted so community members wishing to use the basketball court are aware of the available hours. Ms. Wentworth inquired how partnerships with other private schools and the Corona-Norco Unified School District (District). Mr. Montgomery-Scott responded that the City does have a partnership with the District and the City uses Citrus Intermediate School for basketball and Centennial High School for swimming classes. Ms. Wentworth inquired about how the discount that is being given to Crossroads would affect the budget. Mr. Montgomery-Scott responded that there is no additional cost because the facilities are already operating during the hours Crossroads is requesting. The Advisory Members expressed their concerns regarding setting a precedent.

Council Member Fox commended staff for the presentation and spoke in support of the partnership with Crossroads. Vice Mayor Spiegel discussed the

partnerships with the local Little League organizations, the District and several non-profit organizations. She also briefly discussed the Park Ambassador Program and the need for Park Ambassadors.

Mr. Jerry Wilson, Corona Chamber of Commerce, spoke in support of the proposed partnership and stated that there is value in the contributions Crossroads will be providing.

Mr. Brett McIntosh, Crossroads Christian Schools Athletic Department, thanked the Committee for consideration of the partnership. He discussed the benefits to having “home” facilities.

Vice Mayor Spiegel thanked the Advisory Members for their input. She provided an overview on the process and explained that the item comes to the Committee and if supported, it is presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission, and then presented with all feedback to the full City Council for consideration. She noted that the Committee and Commission meetings fall on the same day and directed staff to explore the possibility of changing the day of the Committee meetings.

The Committee supports the proposed partnership between Crossroads and the City’s Library and Recreation Services Department for activities and events. The Committee directed staff to present the item to the Parks and Recreation Commission and to the full City Council.

3. Public Comments

Mr. Joe Morgan, Resident, expressed his concern with the lack of information provided on the agenda and not attaching the presentation. He also thanked the Committee for a well-run meeting.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.