



Date: April 28, 2021

To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

From: Brent Dennis, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine 

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **City Council Items - Response Time Extension Request**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, multiple competing priorities, and related limitations to staff time, the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department (PRM) slowed or postponed planned work on the following open City Council (Council) items. As a result, the items have not been completed by the requested and/or anticipated deadline and an extension to respond to each of the items below is requested.

Council Item	New Due Date
<p>File #<a href="#">20-0340</a> – R-18, Commitment to Adopt Policy</p> <p>Recommendation to request City Manager, or designee, to work with the Animal Care Services Bureau in Parks, Recreation and Marine Department to implement a "Commitment to Adopt Policy" to provide a streamlined and equitable approach for placing animals into forever homes.</p>	<p>May 14, 2021</p>
<p>File #<a href="#">17-0541</a> – R-24 Deferred Park Maintenance</p> <p>Recommendation to refer to the Parks and Recreation Commission the review of and request City Manager to direct the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine to prepare a report, on current and long-term deferred park maintenance issues, specifically related to graffiti removal, trash pickup, restroom cleaning and playground upkeep, and proposals for partnerships for park support, revenue-raising, joint-use agreements and/or any other options to ensure optimal park conditions for all users. (2020 Strategic Plan)</p>	<p>May 14, 2021</p>

Due to the above referenced reasons, coupled with additional urgent research conducted to complete a Council request for a report on the availability of properties along the Los Angeles River for future designation as park space, these two items were further delayed.

We are looking forward to providing an update on progress made on both requests by May 14, 2021. The additional time requested will allow staff to provide appropriate responses to each of the open items.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (562) 570-3170.

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