



Parks and Waterfront Commission

INFORMATION CALENDAR

October 29, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Children, Youth, and Recreation Commission
 Submitted by: Elizabeth Echols, Chairperson
 Subject: Children, Youth and Recreation Commission 2019 Work Plan

INTRODUCTION

The Children, Youth, and Recreation Commission has updated its work plan, which outlines Commission objectives for the upcoming year. This work plan includes making recommendations to City Council to further the goals of 2020 Vision; identify the needs and gaps in services for Berkeley Youth; provide support regarding outreach and marketing of programs; and examine out of school time/afterschool resources for Berkeley youth.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

At the regular meeting on September 16, 2019, the Children, Youth, and Recreation Commission approved the Commission's 2019 Work Plan, which will be used to guide the Commission's work throughout the year.

M/S/C (Freeman/Echols/U) to approve the work plan and submit an Information Report to City Council.

Ayes: Batista, Brookshire, Freeman, Echols, Richards, Taylor

Noes: None

Absent: None

Leave of Absence: Capitelli

BACKGROUND

See attached Work Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

No environmental impacts or opportunities were identified as a result of this recommendation.

POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

Based on Commission research and public input, new initiatives and recommendations to City Council may be submitted to City Council at such time deemed necessary.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

No fiscal impacts identified at this time.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachment: 1: Children, Youth, and Recreation Commission 2019 Work Plan

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND RECREATION COMMISSION ANNUAL WORK PLAN (Approved on September 16, 2019)

MISSION STATEMENT

The Children, Youth, and Recreation Commission shall be an advisory board and shall seek to achieve equity in policies, programs, planning efforts, activities, and funding associated with youth, families, early childhood education, recreation, and other related City-sponsored activities. The Commission shall advise the City Council on these matters.

- 1. Make recommendations to City Council to further the goals of the 2020 Vision for Berkeley's Children and Youth to close the opportunity gap and ensure that all young people in Berkeley grow up with equitable opportunities to achieve high outcomes and realize their full potential.**
- 2. Identify needs/gaps in City's community and recreation services for Berkeley's youth.**
 - a. Invitations for public input at regular Commission Meetings and report to Council on findings.
 - b. Review program data including, but not limited to, demand, utilization, demographics, and funding for existing programs.
 - c. Make recommendations to Council.
- 3. Examine out-of-school time/afterschool resources throughout community for Berkeley youth.**
 - a. Engage with 2020 Vision staff to document current successes and potential gaps in educational offerings in out-of-school time programs, including afterschool and summer programs.
 - b. Provide recommendations to Council regarding academics in afterschool programs.
- 4. Provide support to Recreation Division staff and make Council recommendations regarding the outreach and marketing of programs to the Berkeley community.**
 - a. Make recommendations to Council regarding approaching outreach through equity lens (entire community), particularly access to scholarships, free programs, and youth employment opportunities.
 - b. Make recommendations to Council regarding city-wide communication (which can include City of Berkeley, Community Agency contractors, and BUSD).
 - c. Review data on outcomes of outreach strategies.
- 5. Coordinate with Parks & Waterfront Commission regarding alignment of future T1 facility improvement and program provision.**
 - a. Develop a tool/rubric to recommend to Council for staff to use when determining alignment for:

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- i. Equity/Access
 - ii. Adaptability for program shifts in the future
 - b. Identify opportunities for synergy with other projects.
- 6. Review and recommend revisions to Community Agency Grant application and review process.**
 - a. Document current successes and potential gaps/inconsistencies in scoring and report to Council.
 - b. Develop a process to work closely with 2020 Vision staff to evaluate the progress of grantees.
 - c. Receive quarterly updates on grantees from 2020 Vision staff.
 - d. Make recommendations to City Council regarding RFP outreach to new organizations.