Park Permit Policy



BACKGROUND

- City's parks currently operate on a first-come firstserve basis
 - Exception: Athletic Fields & Courts
- No process for the public to host small group gatherings (birthday parties, memorials)
 - Conflict among the public
 - Liability for City: BBQ, Bounce Houses
- March 14, 2024, Council introduced an ordinance repealing and replacing Capitola Municipal Code 12.40
 - Creating a process for the public to reserve park spaces



DISCUSSION

- City Council modified proposed code to provide for a Parks Use Policy
- Benefit of Parks Policy is it allows City to make changes in response to changing landscape or unforeseeable issues more easily
- An individual with a reservation request will receive "Capitola Reservable Park Area Packet"
 - Includes fees, maps, terms of use



Park Space	Capacity	Hourly Rate Resident/Nonresident	Amenities		
Jade Street Park					
A3 Lawn	30	\$12.00/\$15.00	Public Bathrooms Playground		
Patio Lawn	30	\$13.00/\$16.25	Public Bathrooms Community Center Patio (additional rental) Playground		
Soccer Lawn 1	74	\$15.00/\$18.75	Public Bathrooms		
Soccer Lawn 2	74	\$15.00/\$18.75	Public Bathrooms		
Monterey Avenue Park					
Dugout Picnic Tables	40	\$17.00/\$21.25	Picnic Tables Water Fountain		
School Side Lawn	40	\$13.00/\$16.25	Water Fountain		
Soccer Lawn 1	74	\$15.00/\$18.75	Water Fountain		

Noble Gulch Park					
Creekside Picnic Tables	40	\$17.00/\$21.25	Picnic Tables		
Esplanade Park					
Lawn	50	\$25.00/\$31.25	Public Bathrooms		
McGregor Park					
Seating area	20	\$13.00/\$16.25	Public Porta Potty		
			Skate/Bike/Dog park		
Soquel Creek Park/ Peery Park/ Cortez Park					
Not reservable					
The Park at Rispin Mansin					
Under Construction					











FISCAL IMPACT

- The City's current fee schedule does not set park space rental fee.
- Staff will return with an amendment to the adopted fee schedule to reflect proposed park use fees.



RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve a resolution adopting a City Park Use Policy and direct staff to return to the City Council with amendments to the fee schedule to reflect proposed park use fees.



Questions

