CITY OF WALNUT

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA

WALNUT CITY HALL

21201 LA PUENTE ROAD, WALNUT

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

- 1. CALL TO ORDER 7:00 P.M.
- 2. FLAG SALUTE COMMISSIONER MUNGUIA
- 3. ROLL CALL COMMISSIONERS BRION, LEPP, MUNGUIA, PEDERSEN & POLLALIS
- 4. <u>MINUTES</u> REGULAR MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2025

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Any person may present public testimony at this time. If any person wishes to address the Parks and Recreation Commission on any item on the agenda or on any other matter, please present your testimony at this time, and please limit your comments to three minutes. The Commission may choose to remove the item for discussion.

The Chairperson may impose reasonable limitations on public comments to assure an orderly and timely meeting. When addressing the Commission, please write your name and address on the sheet provided on the podium.

6. <u>WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Parks and Maintenance Report for August 2025

Recommendation: Receive and file.

B. Administratively Approved Park Use Requests August 2025

Recommendation: Receive and file.

C. Recreation Division Activities Summary August 2025

Recommendation: Receive and file.

8. <u>ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR</u>

9. DISCUSSION

A. Trail Fencing Replacement Plan – Discussion

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Park and Recreation Commission:

- 1. Review the updated trail fencing materials and survey feedback presented at recent City Council Study Sessions;
- 2. Discuss the pros and cons of each potential replacement product, including vinyl, recycled plastic, and precast concrete;
- 3. Select a recommended product and color for future trail fencing citywide; and
- 4. Appoint a subcommittee of two Commissioners or two subcommittees of two Commissioners each, to meet with staff and develop an installation pattern and phased implementation strategy citywide.

10. <u>COMMISSION ITEMS</u>

11. <u>STAFF ITEMS</u>

- A. Upcoming Recreation Programs/Events C.S.
- B. Park Project Updates P.W.
- C. Dog Park

12. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

13. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>



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WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Public Works Director

FROM: Kenny Martinez, Maintenance Superintendent 2000

SUBJECT: Parks Maintenance Report for August 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file the Parks Maintenance Report for August 2025

BACKGROUND:

This report is prepared and provided for the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and information on the current status of the maintenance and operations of the City of Walnut's Park system.

The Public Works Department manages general park maintenance at all City parks. General maintenance is performed largely by a landscape maintenance contractor and some by the city staff. General maintenance includes mowing, edging, hedging, pruning of shrubs and trees, as well as the monitoring of rodents and pests. It also includes irrigation audits and playground inspections. Restroom maintenance services are provided by the custodial contractor. Park restrooms are open and maintained seven days a week, with the exception of two holidays per year (Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day).

City parks with sports fields are maintained at an optimum level through the services of sports field specialists. City staff augments the maintenance services through regular inspections and audits of the fields.

City maintenance staff also perform special projects in all parks including graffiti removal and playground equipment repairs. In order to conform to California playground standards, staff perform playground inspections on a weekly basis.

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Additional Park maintenance activities in August included the following:

Arroyo:

Conducted weekly inspections.

Ashley:

Verticut, seeded, and top-dressed the center turf area.

Butterfield:

Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Country Hollow:

Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Creekside:

- Installed a new volleyball net on the court.
- Verticut, and top-dressed all three baseball fields.
- Installed a new arm on the air walker exercise machine.
- Treated for fire ants.
- Installed additional sprinkler heads in the north turf area.

Heidelberg:

Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

Lemon Creek:

- Treated for fire ants.
- · Remove graffiti.

Snow Creek:

- Verticut, and top-dressed the baseball field.
- Treated for fire ants.
- Connected new walkway lights to existing lights.
- Treated for gophers.

Suzanne:

- Installed a new quick coupler and valve box next to the horse arena building.
- Unclogged a urinal in the men's north restroom (Saturday call out).
- Installed a new flush valve in the women's toilet in the south restroom.
- Unclogged the mainline for the north restroom.

Walnut Hills:

Conducted weekly inspections of the park.

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Walnut Ranch:

- Checked and labeled all receptacles in the snack bar.
- Installed a new soap dispenser in the men's restroom.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs.



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WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

VIA: Melissa Barcelo, Public Works Director

Jamie Bumia, Community Services Director

From: Chris Vermeer, Senior Administrative Assistant CV

SUBJECT: Administratively Approved Park Use Requests – August 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this informational report.

ANALYSIS:

Attached, please find a list of park use requests that were administratively approved during the month of August. In addition, staff included requests that were administratively approved since June and have been reviewed by the Commission during previous meetings.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will enhance civic pride by offering superior facilities and programs.

Location	Date	Day	Start - End Time	Event	Attend/Qty
Creekside Picnic Area	Jun 5, 2025	Thursday	10:30 AM - 01:30 PM	Picnic	40
	Jun 7, 2025	Saturday	11:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Picnic	25
	Jun 15, 2025	Sunday	01:30 PM - 06:30 PM	Picnic	45
	Jun 21, 2025	Saturday	11:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Birthday	60
	Jun 22, 2025	Sunday	08:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	40
	Jun 28, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	40
	Jun 29, 2025	Sunday	10:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Birthday	60
	Jul 5, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Jul 6, 2025	Sunday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	40
	Jul 8, 2025	Tuesday	07:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Music & Movies	1
	Jul 12, 2025	Saturday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	25
		•	12:00 PM - 03:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Jul 13, 2025	Sunday		•	
	Jul 15, 2025	Tuesday	07:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Music & Movies	1
	Jul 19, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Jul 20, 2025	Sunday	11:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Picnic	30
	Jul 22, 2025	Tuesday	07:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Music & Movies	1
	Jul 26, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Jul 27, 2025	Sunday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Jul 29, 2025	Tuesday	07:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Music & Movies	1
	Aug 2, 2025	Saturday	11:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Aug 5, 2025	Tuesday	07:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Music & Movies	1
	Aug 8, 2025	Friday	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Picnic	100
	Aug 9, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 02:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Aug 16, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Aug 17, 2025	Sunday	08:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	30
	Aug 23, 2025	Saturday	11:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Birthday	50
	Aug 24, 2025	Sunday	09:00 AM - 06:30 PM	Birthday	30
	Aug 31, 2025	Sunday	02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	75
Lemon Creek Picnic Area	Jun 1, 2025	Sunday	09:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Jun 7, 2025	•	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	100
		Saturday			50
	Jun 14, 2025	Saturday	12:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	
	Jun 15, 2025	Sunday	12:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Jun 21, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Reunion	100
	Jun 22, 2025	Sunday	12:30 PM - 02:30 PM	Picnic	25
	Jun 28, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	120
	Jun 29, 2025	Sunday	12:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	45
	Jul 5, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Jul 12, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Picnic	100
	Jul 19, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Picnic	60
	Jul 20, 2025	Sunday	12:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Picnic	40
	Jul 27, 2025	Sunday	09:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Aug 2, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	50
	Aug 9, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	80
	Aug 16, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 02:00 PM	Picnic	30
	Aug 23, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Reunion	50
	Aug 24, 2025	Sunday	12:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Pinic	41
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	Aug 30, 2025	Saturday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Birthday	
Suzanne Picnic Area	Aug 31, 2025	Sunday	11:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	60
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	Jun 7, 2025	Saturday	08:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Picnic	40
	Jun 14, 2025	Saturday	01:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Birthday	55
	Jun 21, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 08:00 PM	Reunion	45
	Jun 22, 2025	Sunday	10:00 AM - 03:00 PM	Picnic	25
	Jun 28, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 05:00 PM	Reunion	149
	Jun 29, 2025	Sunday	11:00 AM - 06:00 PM	Reunion	130
	Jul 6, 2025	Sunday	03:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Picnic	140
	Jul 12, 2025	Saturday	09:00 AM - 09:00 PM	Reunion	60
	Jul 19, 2025	Saturday	12:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Picnic	125
	Jul 26, 2025	Saturday	03:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	100
	Aug 2, 2025	Saturday	09:00 AM - 07:00 PM	Reunion	95
	Aug 3, 2025	Sunday	12:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Picnic	20
	Aug 16, 2025	Saturday	04:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Picnic	100
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	Aug 23, 2025	Saturday	10:00 AM - 04:00 PM	Picnic	90 65
	Aug 30, 2025 Aug 31, 2025	Saturday Sunday	08:00 AM - 04:00 PM 02:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Birthday Picnic	30



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WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

From: Jamie Bumia, Community Services Director ${\mathcal J}\!{\mathcal B}$

SUBJECT: Recreation Division Activities Summary

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

This report is prepared and provided for the Parks and Recreation Commission for review and information on the Recreation Programs that occurred during the months of August 2025.

SENIOR PROGRAMS:

SENIOR DINE-IN NUTRITION LUNCH PROGRAM

The Senior Dine-In Nutrition program is open to seniors 60 years and older. Since the start of May, hot meals are being served Monday through Friday, on a first-come first-serve basis. To participate in this program guests must complete a YWCA intake form, check-in begins at 10:30 a.m. with meals served from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or until food is available. Average Attendance: 35 (August)



SOCIAL CONNECTIONS

The City of Walnut Senior Center is now partnering with the Los Angeles County of Mental Health Department on Mondays from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm to offer a one-hour support group for seniors allowing individuals to come together around a common activity to develop social

connections. Seniors are able to come and socialize, play games, share their stories, and explore different topics with the Department Staff and their fellow peers.

Average Attendance: 35 (August)

SENIOR SEMINARS / SPECIAL EVENTS:

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Coffee Corner: Center for Health Care Rights (9:30 am - 11:30 am)

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

Coffee Corner: SCAN Health Plan - *Free Chair Massages* (9:30 am - 11:30 am)

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

Seminar: Screenings for Health by Independence at Home (9:30 am - 10:30 am)

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

Coffee Corner: Rose Hills Memorial Park (9:30 am - 11:30 am)

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

Coffee Corner: SCAN Health Plan (9:30 am – 11:30 am)

Friday, August 15, 2025

Special Event: Come Fly with Me Dinner & Dance

On Friday, August 15, the Senior Center hosted the Come Fly with Me Dinner & Dance. Bringing the fun and interesting times of an airport, the City Staff have created a unique theme of going through an airport. The event featured the band, Global Affair, and a special meal was catered by Tiscarenos. Lastly, a door prize drawing was held filled with themed items. Participants enjoyed the theme of the event and had landed safely for a good time. The attendance for this dance was 78 guests.

OLDER ADULT CLASSES

The City of Walnut Senior Center partners with the Mt San Antonio College Continuing Education Division to offer classes for older adults. Classes are designed and developed to meet the educational needs of older adults. Classes offered are Digital Photography, Creative Computing, PowerPoint Basics, Mobile Technology, Oil Painting, Home Gardening, Jewelry Production & Design, Healthy Aging, Principles of Posture and Flexibility.

Heart and Soul Line Dance classes started offering lessons twice a week. Monday classes are perfect for the working older adult and are scheduled for 6:00 pm. Thursday classes are perfect for the retired person, scheduled for the morning at 9:30 am. These classes are a perfect way to good heart health without the constant strain on joints and easy to follow. All levels are welcome, and no partner is necessary.

Zumba Gold classes are offered at the Senior Center on Mondays from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm. Zumba Gold is a lower impact dace class designed with seniors in mind. This fun and social class will teach different types of Latin and international dances. This class provides simple to follow Zumba choreography that promotes balance, range of motion, posture strengthening and coordination.

Tai Chi Classes are offered on Thursdays from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. Tai chi is a low impact exercise activity which is practiced as slow-moving meditation. A former ancient martial art is practiced for health and wellbeing. Benefits of Tai Chi include stress reduction, relaxation, improved mobility, balance and focus.





GROW GROUP COUNSELING

The Senior Group GROW Group Counseling program has continued to be in person, since the transition of the virtual forum. GROW meets the first Friday of every month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Participants ages 55 and older are welcome and encouraged to learn new skills that will allow them to GROW.

TEEN CENTER:

Teens in 6th through 12th grade can enjoy activities including sports, crafts, board games, movies, air hockey, table tennis, foosball and pool. The summer program concluded on August 8 allowing students who are taking summer school a place to hang out, do homework and get out of the heat. The school year membership will begin on August 11 for the start of the new school year. Teen Center membership for the school-year will be \$120 for the year or \$75 for each semester; for the first two weeks of school we do allow a grace period for those who are not registered to try the Teen Center out. Currently there are 154 Teen Center members registered.

On August 13, the Teen Center hosted an 'Open House' for students and parents to come in and tour the facility, meet staff, make friendship bracelets and purchase hamburgers and ice cream sundaes. A few dozen students and their parents came in to participate with a few signing up that day. We also offered a discounted rate for those who registered for Teen E.P.I.C. (events, people, inspiration and connection) which is the rebranding of our Teen

Friday Nights (TFNs). For the fall semester the Teen Center has planned three Teen E.P.I.C., one for each month. In September we will have a Dive-in Movie Night, October an excursion to Knott's Berry Farm and in November a Smash Bros. Tournament.

Youth and Family Group Counseling

This program is conducted every Monday at 6:00 pm at the Walnut Senior Center.

SPORTS LEAGUES & CLASSES:

Open Gym hours for table tennis, badminton, volleyball and basketball are available in the morning from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Walnut Gymnasium. On June 3 the Summer Open Gym schedule began with the facility being open on Saturday evenings for Badminton and Sundays for Table Tennis, Volleyball, Basketball and Badminton.

Uptempo Basketball Academy will be hosted their last of three camps in August. Their last camp was held August 4 -7 and hosted 68 participants. The camp runs Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and participants were engaged in multiple skill learning drills and scrimmage games on a daily basis.

WALNUT YOUTH BASKETBALL (WYB)

Walnut Youth Basketball (WYB) summer season concluded August 2. This summer's league has participants ranging from grades K through 8 and has 22 teams participating. Staff is preparing for the Winter season.

WALNUT YOUTH VOLLEYBALL (WYVB)

Walnut Youth Volleyball League (WYVB) will be a new league offered by the City of Walnut this fall. Registration began in August for the league. The City is looking to get 4 teams for each Division and will available for $5^{th} - 8^{th}$ graders. Staff is preparing for a skills clinic for those who are registered to be held on September 6. Practices will begin mid-September and games will run from October 4 to November 1.

ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE (ABL)

On June 12, the Adult Basketball League (ABL) returned with a summer tournament. The tournament will crowned 'NWA' as Champion on August 7. Staff is preparing for the Fall Tournament which will begin September 18.

CAMP MOVIN' N' GROOVIN' (CMG):

Camp Movin' n' Groovin (CMG) concluded its ten weeks in August. This camp is appropriate for youth ages 7 to 14 years. It includes an assortment of activities designed to get children "moving" as well as crafts, trips and snacks. The theme for the last week of camp was Sandy Shores Farewell and campers went to Corona Del Mar.

AQUATICS

The Recreation Division Sharks Swim Team began their Summer Team practices on June 23. The team practices Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 9:00 am. The swim team's last competition of the season was at the SCMAF Swim Championships on August 9 in the City of Santa Clarita.

SENIOR/COMMUNITY EXCURSIONS:

Senior Excursions:	<u>Date</u>	<u>Participants</u>
International Surfing Museum	Aug 14	31 (FULL)
Smooth Summer Jazz at the Bowl	Aug 31	44 (FULL)
Community Excursions:	<u>Date</u>	<u>Participants</u>
Lake Arrowhead Queen Boat Tour	Aug 2	44 (FULL)
Los Angeles Dodgers vs San Diego Padres	Aug 16	44 (FULL)

RECREATION CLASSES:

Webby Dance Ballet, Jazz and Hip Hop and Creative Dance, Young Rembrandts Drawing classes, Da Hula Studio, Heart and Soul Line Dance and International Line Dance continue to hold strong numbers for the beginning weeks of the spring session. Classes are offered both at the Senior Center and Gymnasium.

CITY-WIDE SPECIAL EVENTS:

Music and Movies in the Park:

On Tuesday, August 5, we hosted National Night Out with the featured band where The Taylor Swift Experience performed. The movie that was featured in the evening was Minecraft the Movie. We had 14 vendor booths and 4 food trucks in attendance giving out coupons and giveaways. Over 1000+ were in attendance. Our Community Showcase featured soloist, Malia Ceja.







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WALNUT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

AGENDA DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

To: Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM: Melissa Barcelo, Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: <u>Trail Fencing Replacement Plan – Discussion</u>

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Commission:

- Review the updated trail fencing materials and survey feedback presented at recent City Council Study Sessions;
- 2. Discuss the pros and cons of each potential replacement product, including vinyl, recycled plastic, and precast concrete;
- 3. Select a recommended product and color for future trail fencing citywide; and
- Appoint a subcommittee of two Commissioners or two subcommittees of two
 Commissioners each, to meet with staff and develop an installation pattern and phased
 implementation strategy citywide.

BACKGROUND:

At Study Sessions held on September 25, 2024 and August 13, 2025, the City Council reviewed Walnut's 21.5 miles of trail fencing and considered long-term replacement options. Presentations included current fencing conditions, material alternatives, cost estimates, and initial public feedback.

On August 19, 2025, the Parks and Recreation Commission discussed the topic and reviewed the three materials under consideration, vinyl, recycled plastic, and precast concrete, along with preliminary color preferences gathered through public outreach. Commissioners also discussed the installation of a new brown vinyl sample with wood-grain texture along La Puente Road so residents could view all three color options side-by-side in the same location.

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ANALYSIS:

Material options currently under review:

- A. Vinyl Fencing
 - 30 to 50 year lifespan
 - Minimal maintenance
 - Available in white, almond, and brown/gray
 - Weather and pest resistant
- B. Recycled Plastic Fencing
 - Made from a high-density plastic unaffected by moisture and UV exposure
 - Customizable: multiple post and rail profiles and color options
 - Designed for durability in extreme weather conditions
 - Recently added as a result of the most recent Council Study Session
- C. Pre-Cast Concrete Fencing
 - Extremely durable, with a lifespan of 50–100 years
 - Nearly maintenance-free; resistant to weathering, decay, pests, and fire
 - Wood-mimicking aesthetics with steel/fiber reinforcement
 - Environmentally sustainable

Samples of each product are being coordinated for hands-on review by the Commission.

Color feedback has been limited to white and almond, but brown/gray was added at Council's direction. The new brown sample includes a wood-grain texture and is now installed along La Puente Road at Old Post for comparison.

Potential Next Steps:

To support a thorough and timely recommendation to the City Council, the Commission may consider the following actions:

- Developing an Updated Community Survey- A revised survey could gather feedback on:
 - o Preferred material (vinyl, recycled plastic, pre-cast concrete)
 - Color preference among vinyl options (white, almond, brown/gray)
 - General thoughts on aesthetics and functionality of trail fencing
- Offering Additional Suggestions- Staff welcomes any other ideas or strategies the Commission may wish to pursue to fulfill Council's direction.

RELATION TO MISSION STATEMENT:

We will collaborate by encouraging open discussion.