



**Agenda Item C.1**  
**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM**  
**Meeting Date: December 1, 2021**

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**TO:** Parks and Recreation Commission

**FROM:** Jaime A. Valdez, Interim Neighborhood Services Director

**CONTACT:** JoAnne Plummer, Parks and Recreation Manager

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Hours of Operation for the Goleta Splash Pad

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review and support staff's recommendation of the proposed hours of operation for the Goleta Splash Pad at Jonny D. Wallis Neighborhood Park.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Goleta included a Splash Pad in the original design of Jonny D. Wallis Neighborhood Park, but water restrictions at the time of construction prohibited this recreation feature from being included in the project. In anticipation of the feature being added later, water and electrical lines were installed to minimize impacts during future construction. Ten days after the park opened to the public, the Goleta Water District lifted the Stage Two and Stage Three water restrictions, allowing the City of Goleta to move forward with the Splash Pad.

In the Fall of 2019, staff released a Request for Proposals for the design of the Splash Pad and other improvements at Jonny D. Wallis Neighborhood Park. In February of 2020, City Council awarded the contract to RRM, Inc. for design services for the Splash Pad as well as some additional improvements including additional fencing and security elements.

**DISCUSSION:**

The design documents for the Splash Pad are nearing completion and requiring a plan review by a variety of regulatory agencies to include Goleta Water District and Goleta Sanitary District. In order to complete their reviews appropriately, they need to have a general understanding of the proposed use.

Staff has developed a chart that would indicate potential use, for the plan review process. Elements such as costs, drought conditions, weather, events, and more may adjust the actual use, but to provide information for the regulatory agencies, a proposed draft baseline use has been created and is referenced on the ensuing page.

It is important to remember that the use of the splash pad is user activated, which means that just because it can be activated does not confirm that it will be in operation during all the listed days/times.

Season	Mon – Fri	Saturday	Sunday
Fall (Sept – Oct/Nov)	11:00 am – 1:00 pm 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	11:00 am– 4:00 pm	11:00 am– 4:00 pm
Winter (Nov – March)	Closed	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm <i>If warmer than 70</i>	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm <i>If warmer than 70</i>
Spring (April – May)	11:00 am – 1:00 pm 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	11:00 am– 4:00 pm	11:00 am– 4:00 pm
Summer	1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	12:00 pm– 6:00 pm	12:00 pm– 6:00 pm
Rainy Days	Closed	Closed	Closed
Low Temp Days <i>Under 70 degrees as the high</i>	Closed	Closed	Closed
School Holidays <i>Weather Permitting</i>	1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Not applicable	Not applicable

The days and times reflected on the chart takes into consideration the various potential users to include homeschool children, parents' groups and park rental celebrations in addition to the community at large. During these times, the shower facility will also have the ability to be activated to allow users the opportunity to rinse off before leaving the park.

As a reminder, this chart is a baseline of conceptual use to allow the regulatory agencies the opportunity to have an estimation of the intentions of the City of Goleta for operations. It is not necessary to modify specifics, but if the Commission feels strongly that something needs to be adjusted, changes can be made.

#### **FISCAL IMPACTS:**

The operation of the splash pad will come with a cost to the City of Goleta and it will be maintained by the Public Works Department. While the use will increase/decrease the costs of water, electricity and chemicals, the purpose of this discussion is based on proposed use for plan review not policy related decisions.

#### **Reviewed By:**

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