

AARC Workgroup minutes

Tuesday 2/16 at Summit Elementary 11:30

1. Review PARD Performance reports (provided by Taja Beakly)
 - a. Taja provided information about possible playscapes, roughly \$85k (new playscape at Gus Garcia Rec Center is \$200k). She will research as weblink or pictures to share with the workgroup.
2. Status of Kitchen remodeling
 - * No new status provided
 - * Suggest we request the project manager, David Taylor to provide status directly to the Commission at the March meeting.
3. Catering RFP – extended to 2/17. Bids for gap catering until Kitchen remodel due Friday 2/19
4. Review budget recommendations- approve recommending the following budget resolution to the full Commission.
 - A. Resolved that the Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission supports the creation of a new Public Event Leader position (1FTE) at the Asian American Resource Center to meet the increasing demand with facility rentals/reservations up 60% in the past year.
 - B. Resolved that the Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission supports the addition of a 3/4 time driver position (.75FTE) and an another van at the Asian American Resource Center to provide additional access to the Senior Meal Program, which is increasing capacity and extending services from 3 to 4 days per week.
 - C. Resolved that the Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission encourages the City Manager to increase the available budget for translation and interpretation services for all City Departments which interact with the community. Inadequate language access could present a health and safety risk for limited English Asian American citizens. (Note: need more information about the new "Office of Diversity")

5. Discuss transportation issues: Vince reviewed the discussion he and Shubhada Saxena had with Jennifer Scott, Director of Area Agency on Aging. Although it is feasible for a non-profit to apply for transportation funding, they (CAPCOG) are not fully funding existing programs and would have to cut funding for other congregate meal programs.

6. Review subpopulation data collection. The workgroup reviewed documents from last month (HAND survey and Demographic tracking) and recommended that the documents be presented to the full Commission for approval.