

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA

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AGENDA

October 25, 2021

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 this meeting will be conducted by teleconference and there will be no inperson public access to the meeting location.

- To view/listen to the meeting live, please use the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83531705526 or call 1.669.900.6833 when prompted for meeting ID use 835 3170 5526, Passcode: 862262
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- You may provide telephonic comments by calling the Interim Parks and Recreation Director at 760.902.0920 by no later than end of public comments to be added to the public comment queue. At the appropriate time, a staff member will call you so that you may provide your public testimony to the Commission.
- The meeting will be recorded, and the audio file will be available from the Office of the City Clerk and will be posted on the City's YouTube channel, as soon as practicable.

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Pursuant to G.C. Section 54957.5, the designated office for inspection of public records in connection with the public meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission is the Department of Parks and Recreation, City of Palm Springs

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5:30 PM REGULAR MEETING

Please note the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting will be via teleconference

- I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. REPORT OF POSTING OF AGENDA
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 26, 2021
- V. CORRESPONDENCE
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT: This time has been set aside for members of the public to address Parks and Recreation Commission on agenda items and items of general interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Although the Commission values your comments, pursuant to the Brown Act, it generally cannot take any action on items not listed on the posted agenda. Three (3) minutes assigned for each speaker.
- VII. STAFF UPDATES:
- VIII. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS:
 - 1. DISCUSSION ON PROJECT UPDATES: VERBAL REPORT
 - 2. ARTS COMMISSION PRESENTATION AND PROPOSAL FOR THE TOT STATUE AND RENOVATIONS AT FRANCIS STEVENS PARK: VERBAL DISCUSSION
 - 3. REVIEW AND DISCUSS ADHOC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FINAL LIST FOR MEASURE J COMMISSION REVIEW:
 MOTION: TO ADOPT A LIST OF DISCUSSED PROJECTS TO PROPOSE TO MEASURE J FOR REVIEW

4. REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM ADHOC COMMITTEES: VERBAL REPORTS

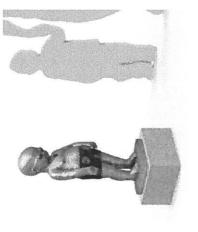
IX. REPORTS AND REQUESTS.

- A. Commissioner Comments: This portion of the meeting is set aside for brief general comments, and/or issues or concerns from members of the Commission and/or items for future meetings.
- X. ADJOURNMENT: The Parks and Recreation Commission will adjourn to the next regular meeting, November 22, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom.

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County of Riverside) SS.
City of Palm Springs	
California, hereby certif	Senior Secretary for the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City of Palm Springs as that this Agenda of the Palm Springs Parks and Recreation Commission Board, wall p.m., Wednesday, October 20, 2021, and posted on the City's website as required by procedures.
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	Janet Burns, Senior Secretary

Department of Parks and Recreation

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Sculpture*	\$13,400	
Structural Engineering**	\$3,200	
Granite Base***	\$2,200	32" H marine grad stainless steel with
Total	\$18,800	automotive paints. 14 x 14 x 8" H gran base.



"Includes: Marine grade stainless steel with transparent automotive paints. 32" tall sculpture, ready to mount, detailed pedestal design, installation consulting, documentation.

^{**} CA licensed professional structural engineer with public sculpture experience. Includes seismic analysis for sculpture and base, internal tube structure analysis, CAD drawings of the connections, structural material specifications, calculations for submittal (permit services not included).

^{***}Granite base 14 x 14 x 8" base or mount on raised footing.

To: Jeannie Kays; Janet Burns
Subject: FW: Palm Springs City Dog Park
Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 7:46:28 AM

From: Christopher

Sent: Sunday, September 26, 2021 3:03 PM **To:** RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov >

Subject: Palm Springs City Dog Park

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Palm Springs Park & Recreation Commissioners,

I have been a resident of Palm Springs for 26 years and regularly go to the Palm Springs City Hall Dog Park on weekends for the past ten years. Frankly, the park is an embarrassment and for it to be adjacent to City Hall I would think more attention would be paid to the daily maintenance and year round upkeep. The smell of urine is so over-powering at most anytime of year. There is no place for dogs to climb on obstacles, dig in the dirt without digging up grassy areas, or cool off in a water feature most city dog parks now contain. Too many times I arrive to a locked gate, no doggie bags, filthy pooper-scoopers strewn around the park with filthy water bowls and trashy lawn chairs scattered about.

Palm Springs wants to portray the town as a world-class dog friendly vacation destination but refuses to take care of the basic needs to maintain a dog park to be proud of. The ground cover desperately needs to be resurfaced into something that is sustainable. After six weeks of being closed every year for re-seeding, the grass is usually destroyed within two weeks time. Common sense ideology dictates to install a proper drainage system, plant less grass with a better root system and add decomposed granite or artificial turf to the central area of the park that gets the most traffic. Stop wasting time, tax payer money and effort year after year on a

system that does not work. And provide us all an alternative by completing the Demuth Dog Park so it is usable to alleviate the over-use of the Palm Springs City Hall Dog Park.

Christopher J Biegler

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To: <u>Janet Burns; Jeannie Kays</u>

Subject: FW: Dog park

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 1:53:14 PM

----Original Message-----

From: Lisa Albert <

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 1:53 PM To: RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov>

Subject: Dog park

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I have several concerns regarding the Palm Springs City Hall Dog Park.

- 1. Improper irrigation leading to large ponds in the grassy area which becomes muddy and easily torn up 2. Trees not being pruned properly so that they are falling over due to wind.
- 3. The light poles in the middle of the park, which are hazardous when the dogs are running in the grassy areas. They have a large cement base. I have witnessed dogs running into them while playing.
- 4. There should be a sand pit so that the dogs can dig in it.
- 5. Water spigot drainage. It should be designed so it will drain and we don't have standing water for mosquitoes to breed.
- 6. The water spigot by the main entrance should have a cover over the inner workings. The cover has been laying on the ground for months.
- 7. There should be a better designed and maintained park at Demuth so that when maintenance is necessary on the city hall park, there is somewhere else to go.
- 8. The rocks within the park around the perimeter should be larger so they are not picked up with the dog poop and thrown out.
- 9. The smell as you enter the park is atrocious. Some rinsing of the cement area needs to be done regularly.

Thanks for listening and I look forward to some positive action being taken to remedy the situation. Lisa J Albert

Lisa J Albert Sent from my iphone

To: <u>Janet Burns; Jeannie Kays</u>
Subject: FW: Dog park suggestions

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 2:25:39 PM

----Original Message----

From: Marilyn Markovich Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 2:18 PM

To: RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov>

Subject: Dog park suggestions

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Dear Parks and Recreation Department,

I bring my 2 dogs 3 times per day to the Palm Springs dog park. We love the place!

That said, the park is in need of improvements:

-access to fresh water on both the big and small sides -a picnic table for the small dog side with adequate shade - regular cleaning of the concrete with a power wash, replenishing of poop bags

Thank you, Marilyn Markovich

Sent from my iPad

To: <u>Janet Burns</u>; <u>Jeannie Kays</u>

Subject: FW: Dog Park Issues on Next Mayor and Council Agenda

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 12:24:54 PM

From: John Brown

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 11:27 AM **To:** RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov>

Subject: Dog Park Issues on Next Mayor and Council Agenda

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Please place a discussion about dog park issues on the next Palm Springs Mayor and Council meeting agenda. There are numerous problems that need to be identified and addressed by the city.

John Brown

To: <u>Michael Remington</u>

Subject: RE: City Hall Dog Park Renovation

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 2:40:08 PM

Mr. Remington,

Thank you for your comment. I will pass this on to the Parks and Recreation Commissioners for their next meeting.

Janet Burns Senior Secretary Department of Parks and Recreation 760-323-8272

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-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Remington

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 2:35 PM To: RecInfo < RecInfo @palmspringsca.gov > Subject: City Hall Dog Park Renovation

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- 1. Consider making the Duluth Dog Park more end user friendly with grass, shade areas. This will help as an outlet to the City Hall Park which can get too crowded with dogs during season. It also would provide an alternate park when the other park is shut down for 6 weeks out of the year.
- 2. Install ceiling fans under shade canopies to cool off dogs and owners during the hotter months. They also help detour insects.

Thank You,

Michael

Sent from my iPhone

From: RecInfo
To: Janet Burns

Subject: FW: Dog Park Survey Follow Up

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 3:16:39 PM

Janet Burns
Senior Secretary
Department of Parks and Recreation
760-323-8272

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From: kathleenatracy@aol.com

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 3:08 PM **To:** RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov>

Subject: Dog Park Survey Follow Up

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Generally speaking, I am grateful That Palm Springs has a dog park, which has improved the quality of life for my eleven month old Golden, as we live in a condo and the HOA remains resistant to letting dogs swim in our pool.

That said, it could be an even better destination with some much-needed adjustments, additions, and enforcement. And I'm speaking specifically here about the big dog side since I don't frequent the small dog area. Starting with the nuts and bolts basics, the fountain in the eastern end of the park needs maintenance so the top park isn't constantly running water because the knob doesn't come all the way back out. In a desert, there's no excuse for not addressing what is a simple fix for any plumber and I'm curious why the company charged with maintaining the park has let it go on for so long --it's been months now. Also, I bring my own dog bags but have noticed that the park's dog bag dispensers are often empty. If you want to cut down on plastic bag use, fine. Then remove the bag stands and add a bunch more more disposal cans and scoops. But if you lead people to believe you provide bags, then the company maintaining the park should make sure they are available.

It would be nice if there was a way to enforce the no smoking ban, which I assume includes cannabis. The issue is, owners who use their dog park time to consume, often end up being not very attentive to -- or concerned about -- what their dogs are doing so they are often remiss about cleaning up after their dog goes to the bathroom or aren't aware if their dog is getting overly hyper. (When dogs become a pack, play can quickly turn aggressive when ganging up on another dog.) I think one thing that could help is to removed the plastic chairs. I'm not saying people should not socialize with other dog owners, but it seems the primary reason for a dog park is interacting with your dog or at least paying attention to your dog as it plays with other dogs. And there are plenty of permanent seating areas in the big dog side.

As for wish list items that would make the park more enjoyable for the dogs would be a kind of splash pad, where you could hit a button and activate it for however many seconds so dogs could engage in water play. Back in the day they actually had a kiddie pool for a while but it would get filthy in seconds. A splash pad would stay clean and if irrigated correctly the water can be recirculated to minimize waste.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kathleen Tracy

To: <u>Janet Burns; Jeannie Kays</u> **Subject:** FW: Palm Springs dog park

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:07:17 PM

----Original Message-----

From: Willy Wonka

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:07 PM To: RecInfo RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov

Subject: Palm Springs dog park

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- 1- The constant yearly over watering which leads to mud pics and sopping wet grass needs to be addressed.
- 2- Also the rocks should be replaced with granite/dirt landscaping similar to the Rancho mirage dog park.
- 3- Also a summertime water feature (which is properly maintained and cleaned weekly) would be a wonderful addition.
- 4- my dogs and many many other dogs LOVE the Rancho mirage sand pit. Where they're free to dig!!! That would be a wonderful addition to the PS dog park

Sent from my iPhone

From: Gary Shulman
To: Janet Burns

Subject: Re: Feedback about the Palm Springs Dog Park

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 3:30:42 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

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The main points to share:

The Dog Park has great potential as a therapeutic environment for so many, not just dog owners

It provides socialization for humans and dogs alike

Seniors can greatly benefit from the interactions and especially those with various stages of Alzheimer's/dementia

Persons with disabilities can experience unconditional love by interacting (with supervision of course) with the dogs and their humans

Children's organizations such as Scouting groups, Boys and Girls Clubs can have outings where the children are supervised to help clean, wash down the park

Sanitation needs to be improved: washing down all seats, benches, watering holes etc.

Gary

On Monday, September 27, 2021, 03:20:35 PM PDT, Janet Burns <janet.burns@palmspringsca.gov>wrote:

Thanks!

Janet Burns

Senior Secretary

Department of Parks and Recreation

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From: Gary Shulman
Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 11:18 AM
To: Janet Burns <Janet.Burns@palmspringsca.gov>
Cc: Jeannie Kays <Jeannie.Kays@palmspringsca.gov>
Subject: Re: Feedback about the Palm Springs Dog Park

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Good luck!! Gary On Monday, September 27, 2021, 09:39:53 AM PDT, Janet Burns < <u>janet.burns@palmspringsca.gov</u>> wrote: Mr. Shulman, Thank you for your comments. I will pass this on to Parks and Recreation Commissioners who will be discussing the Dog Park at our next meeting. I think they will especially appreciate your poem at the end. Hope you have a good day with your new friends! Janet Burns Senior Secretary Department of Parks and Recreation (760) 323-8272 Office hours: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Mondays - Fridays

From: RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov > Sent: Saturday, September 25, 2021 8:07 AM
To: Janet Burns < Janet.Burns@palmspringsca.gov >

Palm Springs is a community with many seniors. Senior centers should consider organized trips to the Dog Park for the multitude of benefits these sweet balls of energy can provide. Individuals with disabilities as well would reap similar benefits, with proper supervision of course. For individuals with Dementia the therapeutic benefits can be profound.

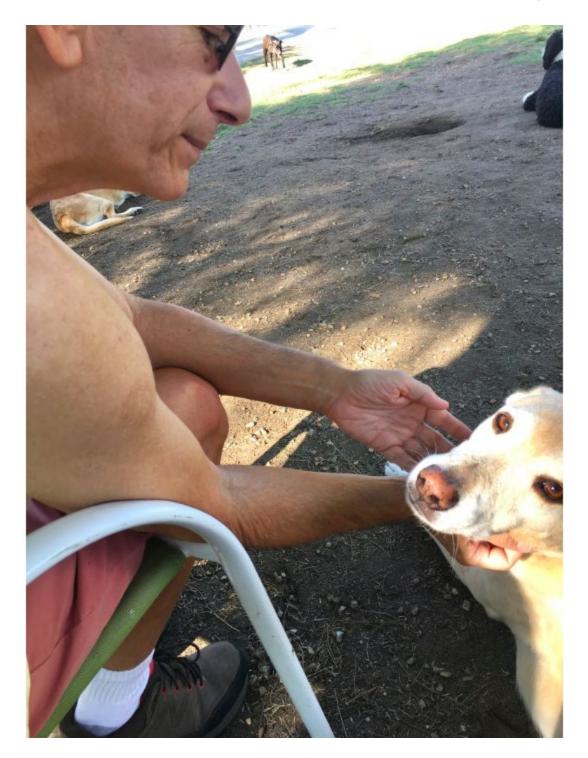
I am not an expert on what needs to be done to properly maintain the Palm Springs Dog Park-I will leave that up to all the dog owners, but I can tell you that many more people can benefit from that haven of love than just the dogs and their owners. Perhaps local scouting organizations can be involved in future maintenance projects?

As I type this, we will be getting ready for another therapy session this morning as it is in the lovely 70s! Luckily, the sweet furry therapists don't even care about what insurance plans we have!never a co-pay involved!!

Please support the proper maintenance of the Palm Springs Dog Park. It is appropriate and warranted. All will reap the rewards of improved care of this treasure.

Sincerely,

Gary Shulman, MS. Ed.



Ode to the Dog Park ©

Gary Shulman, MS. Ed. Feb. 2021

When my brain cells are throbbing

And blood pressure is soaring
I visit the dog park
And it's never ever boring
With doggie loving free
And always sublime
I rush there for therapy
And get it every time
So if life's current stresses
Are getting you down
Head to the Dog Park
Guaranteed you won't frown
For doggie loving is honest, sincere and true
It's free pure affection, just for you

To: <u>Janet Burns</u>; <u>Jeannie Kays</u>

Subject: FW: Public Comment for 9/27/21 Meeting **Date:** Monday, September 27, 2021 5:15:32 PM

From: Halle Kohn

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:15 PM **To:** RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov > **Subject:** Public Comment for 9/27/21 Meeting

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Good afternoon,

I'm sending this comment in regards to tonight's Parks and Recreation meeting where Measure J projects will be discussed. I have been helping with the creation and distribution of a survey with the intention of understanding Palm Springs dog owners perception of the City Hall dog park. The survey helps us identify the community's needs, expectations and vision for our local dog park. Preliminary results show that the typical Palms Springs dog park visitor is a full-time resident of Palm Springs; is between 50 and 70 years old; brings one medium-sized dog to the park every morning; and stays for about an hour. They enjoy the opportunity to socialize and engage with the other folks at the park. They overwhelmingly enjoy the opportunity for their dog(s) to socialize with the other dogs. This sort of place offers us the unique opportunity to feel connected to our city and our community, which is something most of us don't take for granted after the past year and a half of isolation. The importance of safety cannot be overstated. Our survey shows that people are happy with the fencing surrounding the park. That's important to the security of our pets. However, there's another safety concern that isn't so well addressed currently: access to safe drinking water. Dogs are at risk of catching a number of parasites and falling ill from drinking out of puddles or unclean standing water, especially where it is surrounded by feces and urine. Not everyone is aware of these dangers. I keep a close eye on my pup, but there are frequently numerous basins of standing water due to poor irrigation in the park. It's a recipe for disease transmission and sick animals. This is just one of the more pressing issues that comes to mind when I think of how our park can be improved, but there are others that I'm confident will be addressed by others.

I hope the Commission will demonstrate support for our best friends and work to make dog park improvements a Measure J funded project.

Thank you for your consideration, Halle Kohn, Palm Springs resident (92264)

To: <u>Janet Burns; Jeannie Kays</u>
Subject: FW: City Hall Dog Park

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:25:16 PM

----Original Message----

From: Lisa Rotunno

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:25 PM To: RecInfo < RecInfo @palmspringsca.gov>

Subject: City Hall Dog Park

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I left New York 9 years ago to travel the country in my RV with my 2 Labradors. We spent 5 years traveling the entire US, and in that time I discovered (many things lol) but in particular, the gift that most big and little towns have today that wasn't around when I was younger. Dog Parks! They are strewn everywhere across this land of ours and they truly are a gift for residents and travelers and their pets. Some are very simple, safe places for dogs to run around for exercise and others are incredible. A general rule is the nicer the area the nicer the dog park.

I settled here in Palm Springs 4 years ago and have become a morning regular at our city hall dog park. It's a lovely place to start each and every day. I am grateful for the wonderful people I have met there and mostly grateful for the socializing and exercise my dogs get in a safe enclosed environment. There are less and less places nearby where a large energetic dog can run freely in the valley, and as the population here grows that will even get more restricted.

The park provides a much needed service. Unfortunately this sweet little park with its beautiful fence has suffered a bit. Daily maintenance has been an issue since I've been here and seems to just be getting worse (except for the last few days and believe me, any improvements are noticed... shout out to the man who fixed the broken park benches this morning!) But maintenance is not the only problem (that really feels like that can be corrected pretty easily... someone in charge just needs to be paying better attention), the bigger issue as I see it is the size of the park. Again, the population in the valley is growing. And that population is bringing its dogs (there is a huge problem trying to get vet appointments for that very reason).

A few weeks ago we had our first weekend that wasn't in the triple digits. (All summer long the park has been WELL attended by many) But that cooler Sunday morning was a wake up call. When I entered the park around 8:30 AM I did a rough head count of how many dogs were there. I wish I had my cell phone to take pictures (but I don't bring it to the park.. ew). There were 100+ dogs ALL IN THE PARK AT THE SAME TIME! This was an AUGUST morning. That is entirely outrageous. Not only does it put too much pressure on what the park has to offer (turf etc) but more importantly it is DANGEROUS.

Season is not even here yet. The snowbirds haven't returned yet. Those coming from the coast to our 'dog friendly' desert oasis have taken to bringing their dogs with them more and more. They all descend upon our cute little park. This can not continue. Safely.

I was thrilled when someone at city hall had the forethought to set aside some land for us at Demuth Park. It would be the solution... it would alleviate the over usage (again getting worse and worse each season), but it would also mean the City Hall Dog Park should stay less abused! (?) So, aside from The maintenance crew being held accountable to what seems to me basic common sense (fixing broken sprinkler heads - which contribute to the demise of the grass way too quickly, cleaning the urine filth that builds up on any fixed object, filling dangerous holes, etc etc), the other request I have is to PLEASE develop the large dog park at Demuth so that it is usable (preferably a place that represents the type of funky upscale vibe Palm Springs is known for!!). I truly believe that not only will this be a huge benefit to the community, a relief to the over usage destruction of the City Hall DP, but also it will be one more shining feather in our beautiful Palm Springs reputation hat!

Sincerely Lisa Rotunno

(A daily dog park Palm Spring year round resident)

To: <u>Janet Burns; Jeannie Kays</u> **Subject:** FW: Palm Springs Dog Park

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:31:41 PM

From: Mindy Ramsay

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:31 PM **To:** RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov >

Subject: Palm Springs Dog Park

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Hi, I am writing to let you know of what I would wish to be added to the new Palm Springs dog park if approved. I can not make the Zoom meeting tonight, so here is my list...

- 1. Agility equipment
- 2. Walking circles inside park to walk laps
- 3. A water feature/pool
- 4. More shade & Misters
- 5. Better water fountain/water spouts
- 6. Artificial grass/Pebbles

Thank You for your time and consideration.

Pawsitively,

Mindy Ramsay & Romeo

To: <u>Jeannie Kays; Janet Burns</u>
Subject: FW: Dog Park Concerns

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:37:54 PM

From: Dave B

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:35 PM **To:** RecInfo < RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov >

Subject: Dog Park Concerns

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Hi there,

I'm not able to attend the Zoom call regarding Dog Park concerns but was asked to provide them to you in an email.

My first concern is that the Entry door to the large side of the park has a sign that's about shoulder height on it. The bolts holding up the sign are sharp and cut my back open two weeks ago. Would be nice to ensure those bolts are cleaned up and don't cut anyone else. More important, for the dogs I think it would be great to see turf installed so that there are less holes which potentially can hurt dogs. I think it would also be great to see a water fountain/feature that dogs can play in and stay cool. Last, extra shady areas and places to sit would be great. Really appreciate your efforts and working with the volunteers to help make the park that much more special.

Dave Banks

To: <u>Janet Burns; Jeannie Kays</u> **Subject:** FW: Palm Springs Dog Park

Date: Monday, September 27, 2021 6:23:40 PM

From: mike griffin

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 6:23 PM **To:** RecInfo <RecInfo@palmspringsca.gov>

Subject: Palm Springs Dog Park

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I feel the Demuth dog park should be developed so that it is usable and would take a lot of pressure off the Palm Springs Dog Park, I feel this would devide the amount of traffic on both parks making them easier to maintain