

September 25, 2007

Chairperson and Members of the
Parks, Recreation and Community
Resources Advisory Commission

Regular Meeting of
October 2, 2007

**Fort Lots-O-Fun Park
Nighttime Closure**

Recommendation

Staff recommends that Commission approve nighttime closure at Fort Lots-O-Fun Park and resultant change of park open hours to 8:00am-9:00pm.

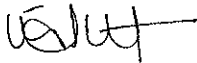
Background

Fort Lots-O-Fun is designed to be a neighborhood park for short-term use; as such, it is not equipped with public restrooms. Long-term day use by parents/caregivers and their children, along with nighttime partiers has resulted in health code violations. Frequent urination and defecation in the park prompted a one-month closure for professional sanitization of park grounds.

Park hours Citywide, per municipal code, are 5:00am-10:30pm. Nighttime closure of the park would change the opening hours of Fort-Lots-O-Fun to 8:00am-9:00pm. The locked gate would impede entrance to after-hours revelers.

Park patrols by City staff have been put in place to monitor park use and behaviors.

Respectfully Submitted,



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