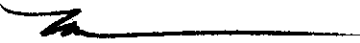


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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

October 2, 2002

TO: Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners

FROM: 
MANUEL MOLLINEDO
General Manager

SUBJECT: REPORT ON TIGER WOODS YOUTH LEARNING CENTERS

At their September 4, 2002, meeting, the Board requested staff to contact the Tiger Woods Foundation (TWF) to explore the possibility of locating the first Tiger Woods Youth Learning Center in Los Angeles.

Although Department staff has not been able to meet directly with TWF staff, we have learned that the TWF has identified property adjacent to the Dad Miller Golf Course in Anaheim (where Tiger Woods' played high school golf) to be the site of the first Tiger Woods Youth Learning Center and is currently finalizing negotiations there. The learning center in Anaheim is expected to consist of 10 acres of land to be developed into a executive style course and a twenty to thirty thousand square foot education support facility which will most likely include classrooms, a computer lab, and an after school homework support center. Detailed program plans have not been finalized, but the emphasis of the facility is on education with golf being the lure to attract participants. The Anaheim facility is being built as a prototype for Tiger Woods Learning Centers expected to be developed throughout the county.

The focus of the TWF and the Tiger Woods Youth Learning Centers appears to be on education and parenting. Listed on the TWF website are four program areas under which grants are awarded: Child and Family Health & Welfare Objectives, Education Objectives, Parenting Objectives, and Youth Development Objectives. The development of golf facilities and programs are not specifically mentioned. For example, Tiger Woods appeared at a youth golf clinic in Long Beach last year. While the golf clinic received most of the press coverage, it was actually a very small part of a week long education and parenting program conducted by the TWF.

As an historical perspective, when Tregnan Academy was developed, the construction and the operational costs were provided by private donations and grants. Apparently, former Recreation and Park Commission President Steven Soboroff did approach the TWF, but could not secure any capital commitments. It is the sense of staff that the Department's needs at that time for capital and facility development at the Tregnan Academy did not fit within the focus of the TWF emphasis on educational development and parental involvement.

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It appears that the TWF is committed to building the learning center in Anaheim. However, staff will continue efforts to establish a partnership with the TWF for operational/program support at Tregnan Academy.

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To: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS
From:  MANUEL A. MOLLINEDO, GENERAL MANAGER
Subject: WILMINGTON SENIOR CENTER

On August 19, 2002, an informational report was presented to the Board regarding the feasibility of transferring the operational responsibility of the Wilmington Senior Center to a non-profit group. The following report is to apprise the Board of the current status of this new facility, subsequent to the August report.

Department staff, working closely with the Council Office and the community, has reviewed the various options for operation of the new center, and feels comfortable that the needs of the community can be met by allowing the Wilmington Jaycees to operate this facility. This decision was made after evaluating the needs of the Wilmington seniors and the ability of this nonprofit group to provide services.

The Wilmington Jaycees will provide services for the frail elderly, including help with shopping, housekeeping, money management, meals, and social services. Department staff will develop an agreement with the Jaycees. In order to comply with the HUD construction grant requirements, which stipulate that senior services be provided at the new facility, a cancellation clause will be included in the proposed agreement requiring that the Jaycees secure and maintain ongoing Department of Aging contracts. Once the terms of the agreement have been finalized, the agreement will be transmitted to the Board for approval.

Council District 15 concurs with the items in this report.