DESCRIPTION

The parks division is responsible for the landscape maintenance of approximately 300 acres of municipal parks, landscaped areas, traffic medians, athletic fields and open land areas while maintaining approximately 17 miles of associated bikeways.

MISSION

The Division is committed to providing excellent service with a positive "can do" attitude while maintaining all parks, open space, and athletic fields, preserving the aesthetics and usability of these facilities for all.

GOALS

- Provide support to the Recreation and Parks Department and to the public for aesthetic and recreational needs.
- Maintain comprehensive herbicide and pesticide application program in order to preserve the aesthetics and usefulness of public facilities and open space within the City.
- Promote health and exercise among our citizens by maintaining and upgrading the bicycle and footpath system throughout the City.

OBJECTIVES

- Upgrade or replace parks playground equipment identified in the playground audit, in accordance with Assembly Bill 1055.
- Collaborate with Community Services, Planning and Engineering Departments to insure proper coordination of park development throughout the City.
- 3. Continue Rose-Garden upgrades.

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS/INDICATORS

Continue biweekly playground inspections to insure all playground sites are in compliance with AB1055.

Attend scheduled meetings to insure park development meets City design standards. Work closely with the Engineering and Recreation departments ensuring timely installation of all Proposition 12 projects.

Upgrade the irrigation system during FY 2005.

PARKS MAINTENANCE

OBJECTIVES

4. Monitor tree-trimming program through out the City, including City parks.

5. Vegetation management within the City Utility Right-of-Ways.

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS/INDICATORS

Ensure all park pruning is completed by June 2006.

Apply herbicide applications quarterly.

2005-2006 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Five playgrounds within the City parks system will be retrofitted, using Prop 12 funds. Staff will need to replenish fall zone surfacing material to playgrounds as well.

Two-permanent Park Maintenance Workers are being requested along with necessary support equipment, as a result of additional parks developed.