

**Parks and Recreation Commission  
Staff Report**

**Meeting Date:** June 3, 2014

**Agenda Item Number:** 3E

**Applicant:** Roger Moellendorf

**Request:** **For Possible Action:** To determine whether the Parks and Recreation Commission is going to hold their regularly scheduled meetings on July 1, 2014 and August 5, 2014.

**General Discussion:**

During the May 6, 2014 Parks and Recreation Commission meeting, staff suggested that the commission decide during the June meeting whether the commission wants to hold or cancel the July meeting. It has been a common occurrence for the commission to cancel the July meeting since it normally falls close to the Fourth of July holiday, and many people use this holiday to travel. In response to staffs' inquiry, some members of the commission suggested that instead of cancelling the July meeting consideration should be given to canceling the August meeting because it falls on the same date as the "Sheriff's Night Out" event which is held in Mills Park. The "Sheriff's Night Out" is a very large event that attracts many people and as a result parking spaces are occupied for several blocks around the Community Center and Mills Park. In addition, several members of the commission like to attend the event. Staff feels that with the re-start of the MAC project and ancillary issues and decisions surrounding it, plus other timely topics, it would be advantageous to keep both July's and August's meetings on the schedule. The July meeting is July 1, which is three days before the Fourth of July, and as a result it is not immediately adjacent to the holiday. Staff recognizes that finding parking during the Sheriff's Night Out is difficult and, therefore, would recommend that commissioners and staff arrive early in an effort to secure a parking space.

**Recommended Action:** I move to keep the July 1 and August 5, 2014 Parks and Recreation Commission on the schedule.