

Report to the Community and Cultural Affairs Commission



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TITLE: Mayor's Desert Hot Springs Healthy City Initiatives

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Discussion

The CCAC should build a partnership with Desert Hot Spring Healthy City Initiatives for possible programming for youth and senior activities.

Jackie Chatman has worked in conjunction with Mayor Matas to incorporate and make our city a healthy and active community. Part of the Community and Cultural Affairs Commission is to make sure we create programs for the betterment of our community serving both the youth and senior populations. We live in a small and diverse community with ample access to fast-food it might be in the best interest of the commission to see if there is a mutual beneficial relationship that could exist if we partner with the Mayor's Healthy City Initiatives.

There will not be any fiscal impact for partnering with this organization but it will help us to create more meaningful programs for our youth and seniors with a whole mind body and wellness.

Presently, the committee needs to have a location to meet once a month. The commission should make a recommendation allowing for access to one of the community buildings such as Wardman Park or the Henry Lozano Center at Guy Tedesco Park.

Either park location would allow for the committee to meet and organize events centered on health and wellness that is accessible for the community.

Moreover, we are incorporating programs that will be free of cost to the public to promote civic engagement and implementing these programs may have had minimal impact on the budget. Additionally, there are items that the commission needs to purchase so we can attend events and partner with other organizations and develop a working rapport with those entities to brand our city as destination and not just a bedroom city.