

# CHULA VISTA CITY COUNCIL

August 23, 2022



**PRESENTATION: HARBORSIDE PARK HEALTH AND SAFETY**



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# Content Warning

*This presentation includes graphic images including needles, weapons and a body bag which may be disturbing to some viewers.*

*We anticipate that this material will be covered in the next 10 minutes if you would like to leave the Council Chambers or stop watching at home.*



## HARBORSIDE PARK

670 Oxford Street

Property Acquisition: \$2.3M

Park Improvements: \$1.9M

5.2 Acres



**DR. EDUARDO REYES,  
CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDANT**



**JAALIN CHENG,**  
**Business Owner – Billion Creation**



**MONICA CRESPO,**  
**Community Member- Resident**





# Harborside Park: NOW





# Harborside Park: THEN



# **SAM ALZUBAIDI, Park Ranger Program Manager**



## **Park Clean Up Efforts and Ongoing Maintenance**



# Harborside Park: Original Design





# Harborside Park: Deterioration





# Harborside Park: Mitigating Efforts





# Harborside Park: Current Status



# **MARISOL AGUILERA, SR CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**



## **PRIVATE BUSINESSES – CALLS FOR SERVICE**





# Code Enforcement Calls for Service: Private Businesses



**2020 – 2022**

25+ calls for service  
for trash, junk, debris,  
graffiti,  
encampments

**Pre 2020**

no calls for service  
(since 2016)



# Code Enforcement: Impacts to Businesses



# **PHIL COLLUM, EXECUTIVE CAPT.**

## **Chula Vista Police Department**

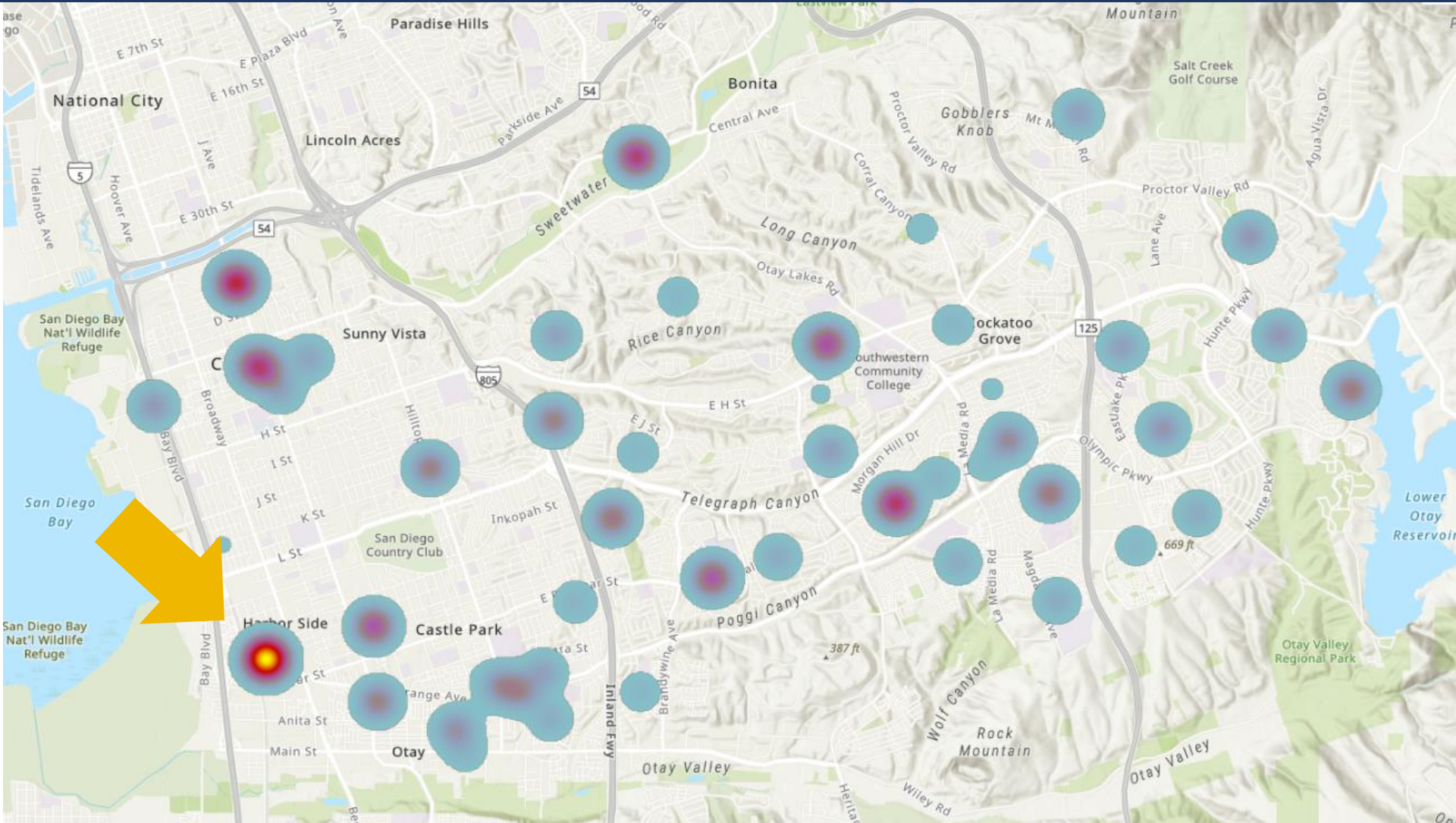


### **Calls for Services and Response**



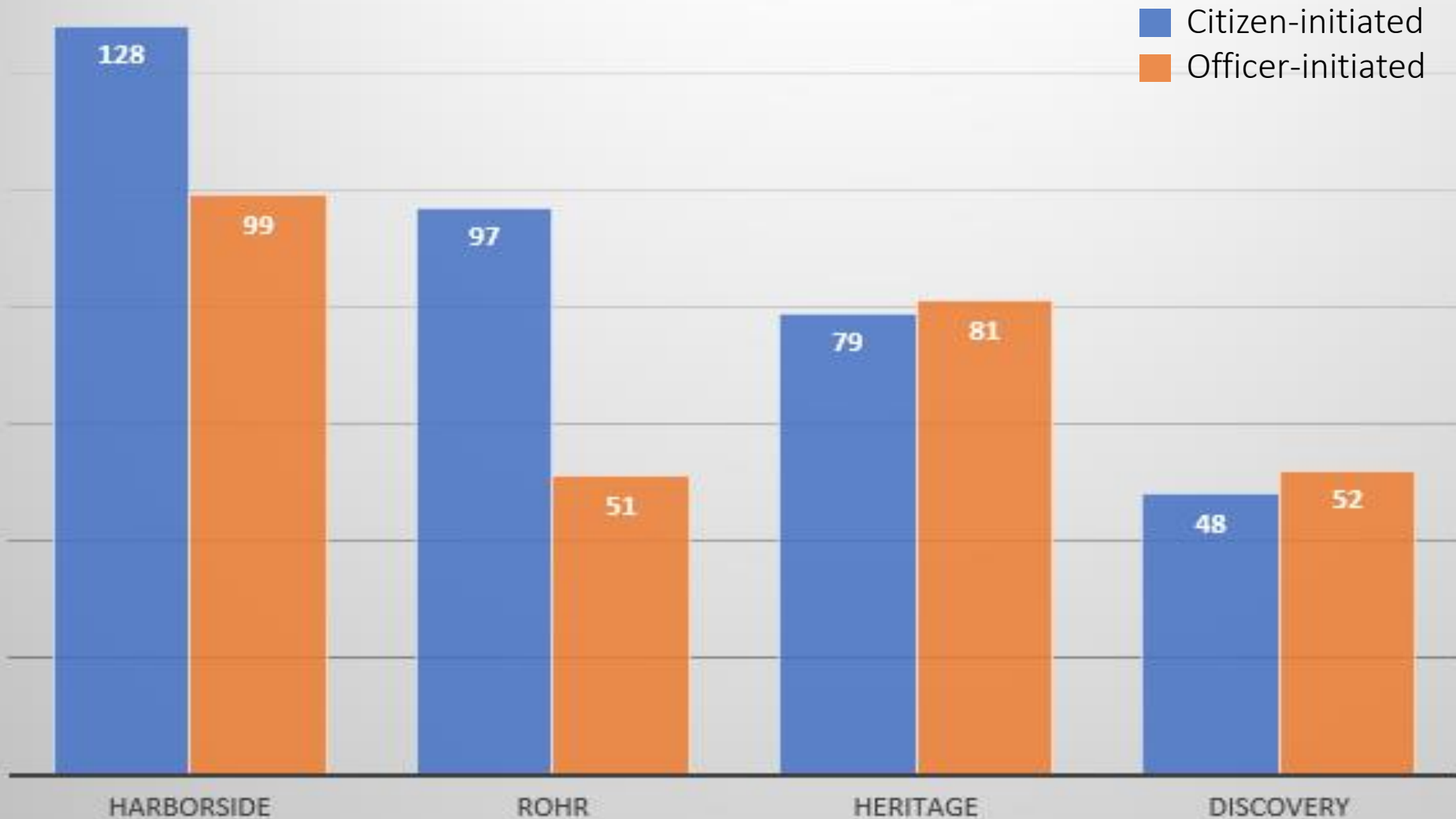


# Calls for Service: All City Parks



*Harborside Park has consistently had the highest number of CFS compared to all other parks in the City.*

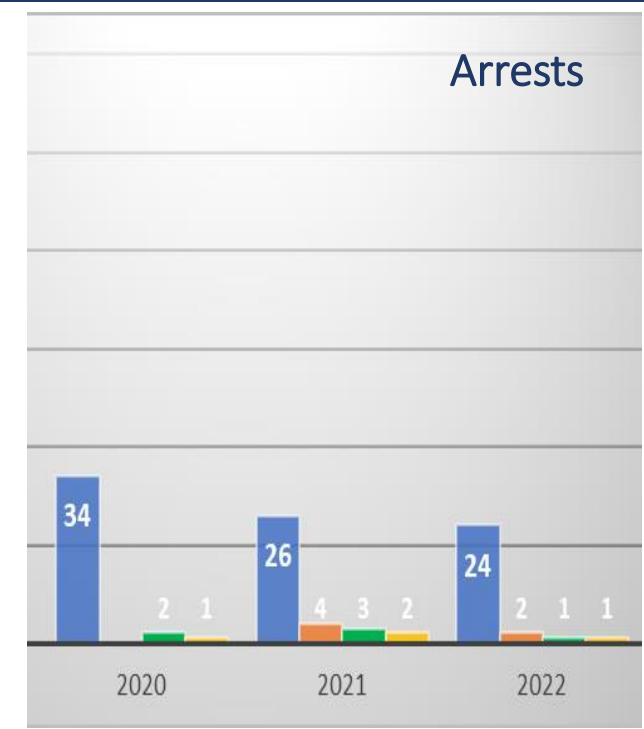
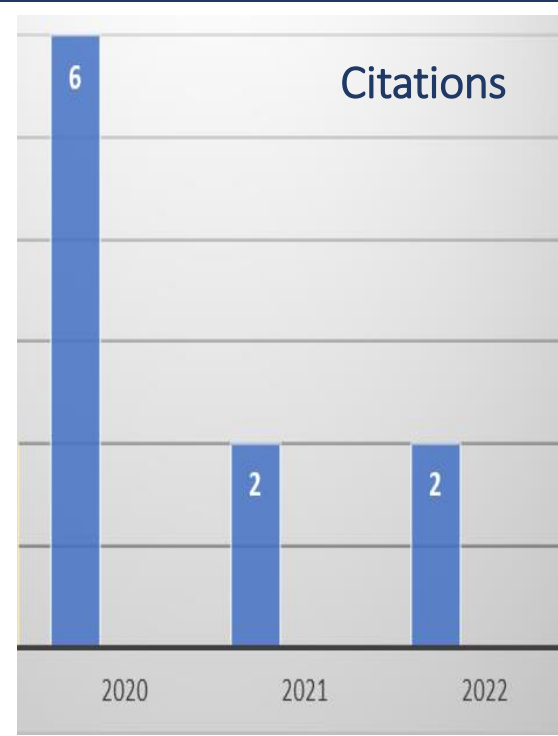
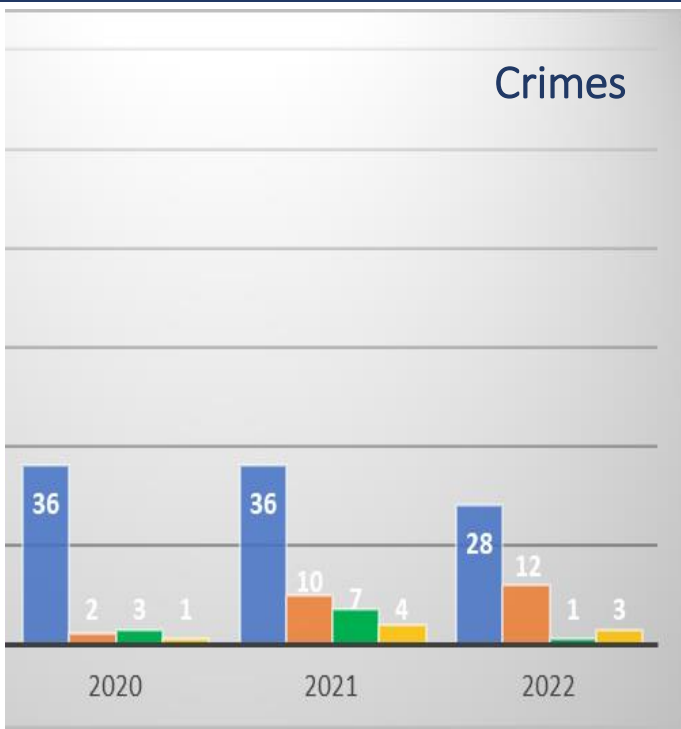
# Calls for Service at Parks (2021)





# Crimes, Arrests & Citations at Harborside

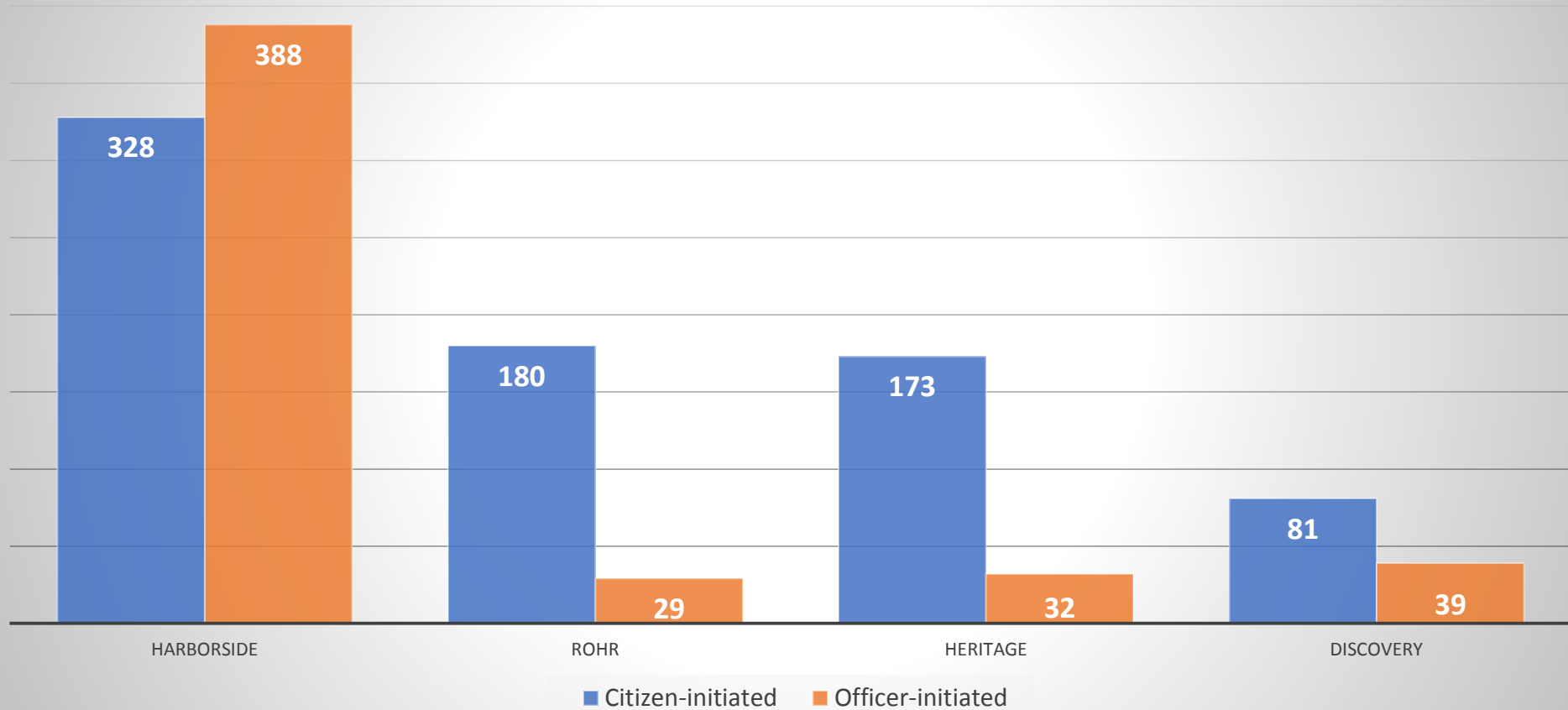
Jan 2019 - Jul 2022



- Harborside
- Rohr
- Heritage
- Discovery

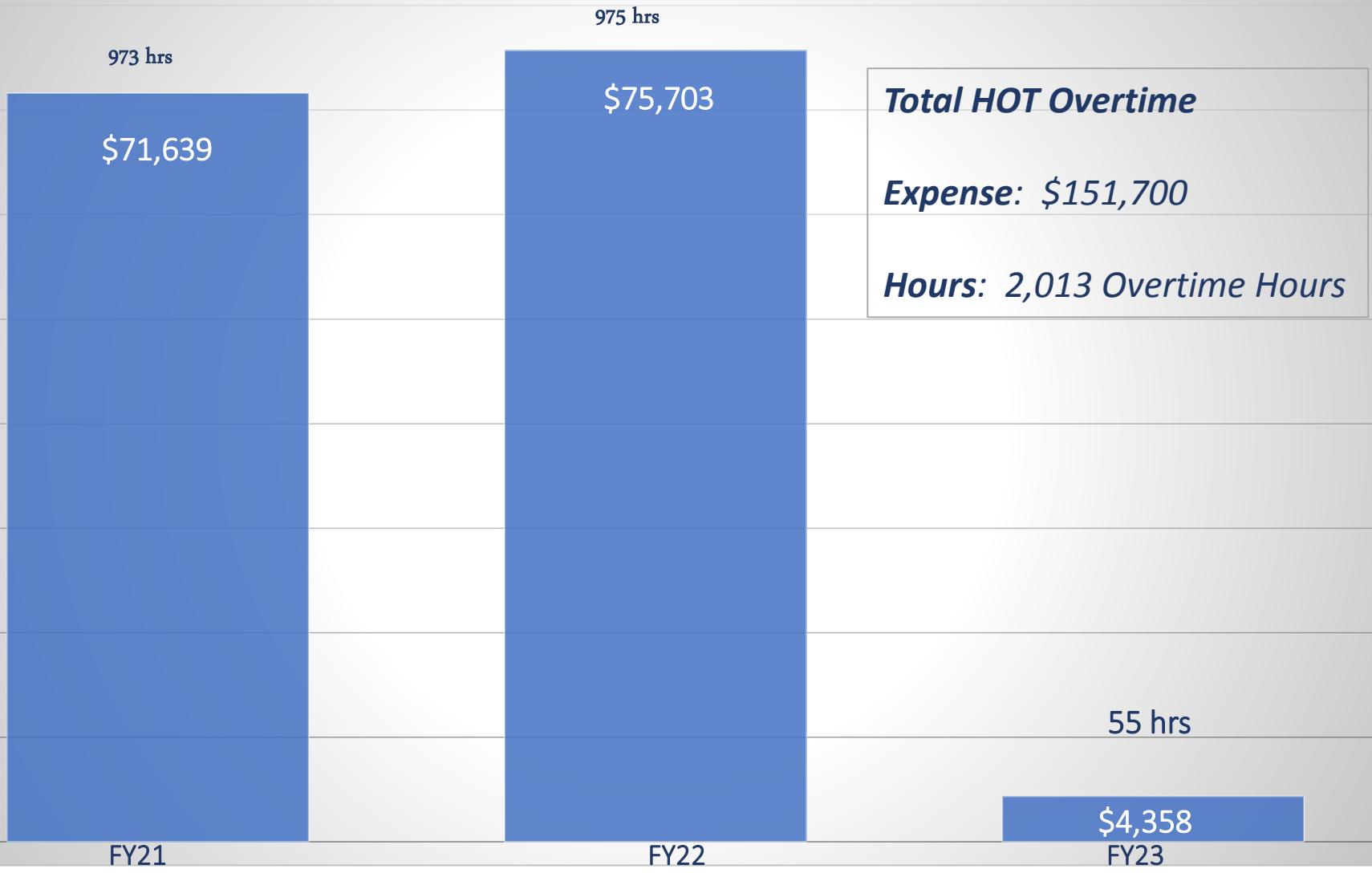
# Total Time Spent (hrs) at Harborside Park

Jan 2019 - Jul 2022



\*Source: CVPD CAD system. Figures include documented hours only. Additional hours that were not documented, such as officer foot patrols and other proactive activity, would not be represented here.

# Fiscal Years 2021-2023



\*Figures are citywide totals that include, but are not exclusive to, Harborside Park. Anecdotal information suggests that more overtime has been expended at Harborside Park than any other park in the City.

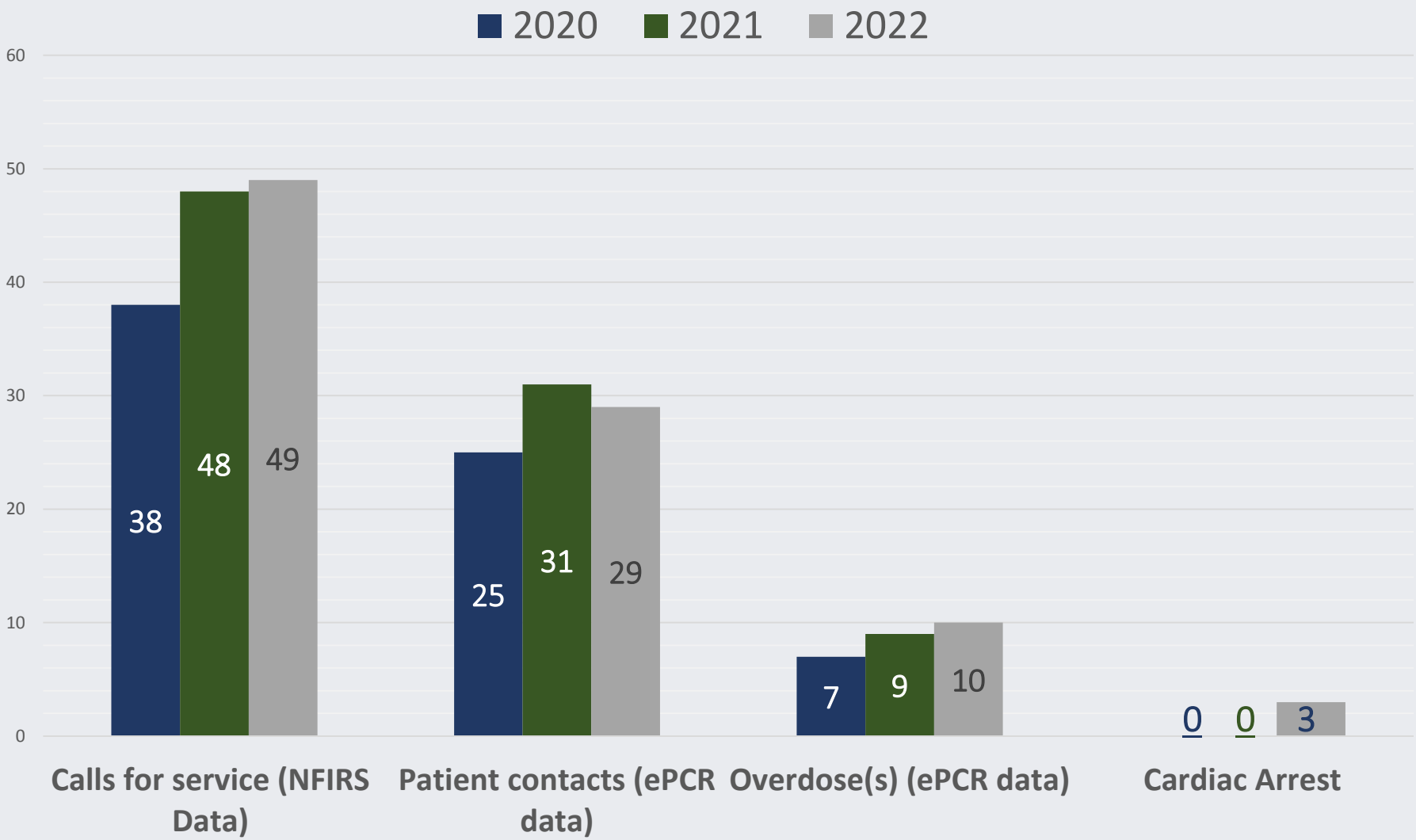
# HARRY MUNS, CHIEF

## Chula Vista Fire Department





# Fire Department: Calls for Service



# MARIA KACHADOORIAN, City Manager



# ACTIONS TO DATE

- 2 **COMMUNITY MEETINGS**
- Installation of **VISUAL BARRIER** between school and park
- Increased **CVPD PATROL** frequency
- Courtesy **NOTICE** mailed to surrounding residents and businesses regarding temporary closure
- Stakeholder **TASKFORCE** re-established



## NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

THIS COURTESY NOTICE IS BEING PROVIDED TO ALL RESIDENTIAL TENANTS/OWNERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS WITHIN 500 FEET OF HARBORSIDE PARK.

The Chula Vista City Council will be receiving a report and considering approval of a temporary 90-day closure of Harborside Park to protect public health and safety, leaving the formal and informal bidding requirements to procure temporary fencing, security services, public outreach services, and permanent fencing, as appropriate, authorizing the City Manager to enter into contracts or execute documents necessary to secure the park and conduct public outreach, and appropriating funds for those purposes.

August 23, 2022 at 5 pm  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
278 Fourth Avenue (81810)

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Courtesy Notice

# RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS

- Install **TEMPORARY SECURITY FENCING** along park perimeter
- Implement 90-Day **TEMPORARY PARK CLOSURE** (08/31)
- Provide 24/7 contracted **SECURITY**
- Hold **CONNECT EVENT** on 08/31 at Harborside to offer services
- **ENGAGE COMMUNITY** for long-term solutions and plans
- Continue and increase **HOMELESS OUTREACH TEAM** efforts
- Continue to **MONITOR** and **REASSESS** safety conditions
- Reinstate the **HARBORSIDE TASKFORCE** for added collaboration



# RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS

- Monitor the effectiveness of the temporary fencing to consider alternate fencing solution.
- Consider a site layout change

# TEMPORARY FENCING AND SECURING THE SITE



 Existing CVESD Fence

 Temporary 8' Chain Link Fence

# CONNECT EVENT

## On-site Services coinciding with Fencing Installation August 31, 2021

- **HOUSING**

- CV Housing
- Salvation Army
- ECTLC

- **OUTREACH/CASE MANAGEMENT**

- CV HOT Team
- SBCS
- McAlister Institute

- **MEDICAL**

- Family Health Centers

- **OTHER SERVICES**

- District Attorney's Office
- HHSA
- DMV

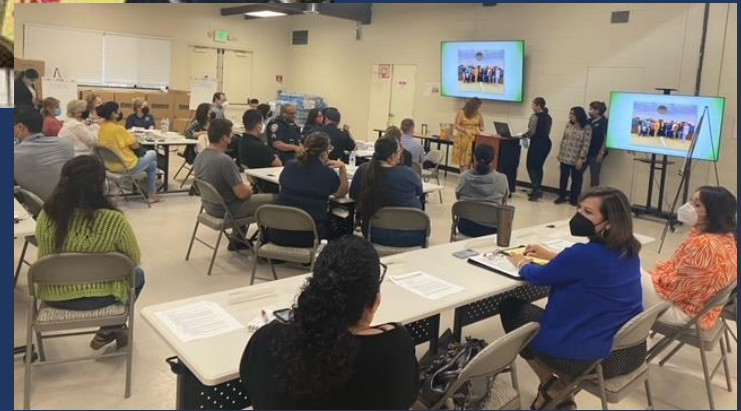


# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: SHAPING THE FUTURE FOR HARBORSIDE



\*Family Center all ages (Planning Seniors)  
 \*Activity all day (programming)  
 \*Art expression/Community  
 \*Sports leagues (School)  
 \*Fitness outside  
 INTERGENERATIONAL/Reasonable Cost  
 Create tournaments (fundraising)  
 Involve businesses  
 Waterfront there  
 Community events  
 Entrance - HSA for drop off  
 Easement - make useful  
 Improve skate park / lighting  
 - Community garden

| Short-term Solution            | Vote       |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Slots between school/park      | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Fence w/ gate for daytime use  | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Fence off to close park        | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Close walkway between          | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Rolling lights                 | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Parent/Community Patrol        | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| ↑ Police activity / unattended | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Security cameras               | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Controlled access to walkway   | ●●●●●●●●●● |
| Deter via landscape/activity   | ●●●●●●●●●● |





# RECOMMENDED ACTION

- Approve Resolution approving 90-day temporary closure
- Waive formal bidding requirements
- Authorize City Manger to enter into a contract or documents necessary