



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

AGENDA DATE: January 23, 2008

TO: Park and Recreation Commission

FROM: Parks Division, Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT: Integrated Pest Management Innovator Award

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Commission receive a staff report regarding the California Department of Pesticide Regulation's 2007 Integrated Pest Management Pest (IPM) Management Innovator Award given to the City of Santa Barbara.

DISCUSSION:

On January 17, 2008, the City of Santa Barbara received a 2007 IPM Innovator Award from the California Department of Pesticide Regulation in Sacramento, California. This award is given to acknowledge new approaches to help reduce or avoid the risks associated with some traditional chemical pesticides. Mayor Marty Blum, Councilmembers Schneider and Williams, Jim Armstrong, Joan Kent, Nancy Rapp, Santos Escobar and Eric Cardenas attended the awards ceremony.

The City of Santa Barbara was acknowledged for their formal IPM Strategy, adopted by Council in January 2004, as well as the Pesticide Hazard and Exposure Reduction (PHAER) Zone Model.

City staff works with a five-member citizen IPM Advisory Committee to implement IPM techniques and review ideas for new innovative technology.

Mr. James Shattuck, representative from the California Department of Pesticide Regulation will be present at the January 29, 2008, Council meeting to present the award.

ATTACHMENT: Press Release

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