

Agenda Report

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, December 12, 2023

TO: City Council

FROM: PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR CALUBAQUIB

SENIOR UTILITIES ENGINEER BERRY

THROUGH: CITY MANAGER MENDEZ

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND

CALLING FOR BIDS FOR THE RAMSAY PARK RENAISSANCE

PROJECT, NO. PK-22-01

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt a resolution approving plans and specifications and calling for bids for the Ramsay Park Renaissance Project, No. PK-22-01.

BACKGROUND:

In 2019, Parks and Community Services Department (PCS) worked with Verde Design, Inc. to conduct an extensive community engagement process in order to develop a Strategic Plan for Parks and Recreation and Parks Master Plans for Ramsay Park and the City Plaza. The overall purpose of this initiative was to engage the community to develop strategic direction for the development, expansion and rehabilitation of parks and recreation programs, services, and facilities.

Based on this process, the Council adopted a Park Master Plan for Ramsay Park in February 2020, Resolution No. 13-20 (CM).

DISCUSSION:

In April 2021, PCS staff released a Request for Proposals for Landscape Architectural Design and Consultant Services for the Ramsay Park Improvements. This proposal was for a consultant to take the conceptual plan and produce construction drawings for both City permit approval and project bidding purposes, and to provide construction administration to project completion. Verde Design Inc was selected, and Council approved the consultant contract on July 11, 2021, Resolution No. 194-21 (CM).

The Ramsay Park Renaissance Project design includes the following:

Sotomayer Soccer Field

The plan calls for leveling out the field to provide a maximum slope of 1.2%, which is ideal for soccer play. This includes new natural turf, new irrigation system, terraced concrete seating along the south side, new fencing, and the addition of athletic field lighting.

Dog Park

Located on part of the hilltop area, this project consists of a small and large dog park, an accessible path of travel to the entry, and installation of perimeter fencing and amenities.

Inclusive Playground

The playground will also be located on the hilltop area. The play area will be split into multiple zones to provide experiences for both younger and older children. Features include the following:

- Resue of the existing large slide
- Slide area
- Swing area
- Spinning features
- Musical and sensory areas
- Picnic areas

Multi-use Sports Field

The existing softball field is redesigned into a synthetic turf multi-use field. This will accommodate both softball and soccer. The field will be expanded out to the north, into the main parking lot. New fencing will be added, along with higher netting, and athletic field lighting.

Main Street Parking lot

The main street parking lot will be repaved. Included in this will be new bioswales between the parking rows, new parking lot lights, infrastructure for EV chargers, and ADA parking.

New Nature Center Coordination

Included within Ramsay Park area, but not part of the Renaissance project scope of work, is the construction of the new Nature Center. This will be a 3,500 SF building located above the southern parking lot on the Harkin Slough Road side of the park. Currently under design, the project is overseen by the Public Works and Utilities Environmental division. However, because of its vicinity within the park boundaries, extensive coordination was required in the plans.

The project drawings are completed and have been reviewed by the City's building Department. The schedule has the project going out to bid in January 2024, with the bids opening in February, and the project starting at the beginning of April. The engineers' estimate for the project is \$27,400,000. Funding sources are listed below.

The Parks and Community Services Team is excited that the Ramsay Park Renaissance project has reached this milestone. Upon completion, the park will be a tremendous asset to the community. Staff recommends that the Council approve this call for bids on this project.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This recommendation is consistent with several Council Strategic Goals, such as 02-Infrastructure and Environment, for replacing park infrastructure and improving the environment and 06- Community Engagement & Well-Being, for enhancing recreations and exercise opportunities.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The engineers' estimate for this project is \$27,400,000. The project will be funded from the following funds:

- \$7,000,000 Regional Sports Complex Grant from the State of California
- \$4,325,000 ARPA Funds
- \$100,000 CDBG 23-24
- \$2,633,000 22/23
- \$177,952 Prop 88 Appropriation Grant
- \$13,200,000 Measure R Bonding¹

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

The City Council may choose not to call for bids. Project bidding would be delayed, and construction may not meet grant deadlines.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any): None.

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¹ This agenda also includes a separate item recommending the approval of a professional services contract for a Financial/Municipal Advisor that is needed to move forward on bonding a portion of Measure R funds to complete the financing for this and other projects reflected in the Council approved Measure R Spending Plan.