

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Special Meeting: February 24, 2021

Subject

Third Session of the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan Park Amenity Improvement Prioritization Process.

Recommended Action

Conduct the third session of the Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan park amenity improvement prioritization process.

Discussion

As part of the City and Commission's Work Program item to complete a Parks and Recreation Department strategic plan, the Commissioners were tasked with evaluating City parks for a variety of potential amenity improvements. This item is intended to address the immediate and short-term opportunities identified in the Parks and Recreation System Master Plan. The Commissioners, Parks and Recreation staff, and Public Works staff have completed and submitted evaluation data in order to assist in the prioritizing of park amenity improvements.

Over the course of three meetings, 16 parks and two special use sites will be discussed. At the February 24, 2021 special meeting, a subset of 6 parks have been selected for discussion, to include Three Oaks Park, Sterling Barnhart Park, Wilson Park, Varian Park, Portal Park, and Jollyman Park. The amenities to be reviewed include pickleball striping, hydration stations, waste containers, benches and picnic tables, and outdoor table tennis, in addition to miscellaneous suggestions made during the evaluation phase. For each park, the rankings for each amenity, existing amenities, and suggested implementation of improvements will be reviewed.

Other considerations during this process include budget constraints, maintenance of amenities, and availability of amenity products, as well as the availability of potable water, and the necessity of referring selected amenities to be completed under the Capital Improvement Project plan.

Staff recommendations have been organized with price estimates and mapping systems to form a holistic overview, illustrating the overall scope and cost of implementing the recommended amenities.

Sustainability Impact

Selected amenity improvements support the community solid waste diversion measures in the Climate Action Plan.

Fiscal Impact

The Parks and Recreation Strategic Plan Park Amenity Improvement Project is budgeted and approved for \$200,000 per year beginning with Fiscal Year 2020-21 and continuing for four more years, for a total of five years and \$1,000,000.

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Attachments:

A – Commissioner Evaluation Data

B – Strategic Plan Recommendations - P&R, PW, and Commissioners Consolidated