

Agenda Report

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REPORT TO COUNCIL AND STADIUM AUTHORITY BOARD

<u>SUBJECT</u>

Action on a Resolution Delegating Authority to the City Manager to Execute Documents Associated with the State of California Local Assistance Specified Grant for the Central Park Arbor Playground (Magical Bridge All Inclusive Playground) and Related Budget Amendments

COUNCIL PILLAR

Enhance Community Sports, Recreational and Arts Assets

BACKGROUND

The Central Park Arbor Center Playground is a small, 1960's era, metal, wood and natural stone play space that was identified in the 2017 Parks & Recreation Facility Condition Assessment as in "critical" condition and in need of replacement as well as being identified in the Central Park Master Plan as the location for an expanded, all ages and abilities community serving playground. On January 12, 2021, after extensive community outreach and recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Commission, Council approved the preferred schematic design (Project) and Ordinance No. 2028 (Measure R compliance).

The Project is to be funded through Capital Improvement Program funds from a variety of sources: City in the amount of \$1.8 million from Developer Contributions and Mitigation Fee Act in Lieu fees, County of Santa Clara All Inclusive Playground Grant funds in the amount of \$1.765 million, and funds to be raised by the Magical Bridge Foundation through individual, community and corporate support. Given construction cost escalation and continued desire to fund a complete playground experience, the City sought and secured additional grant funding. In June 2022, the City was awarded State funds requested by California Assembly Member Alex Lee. In particular, the focus of the State Grant funds was to support the Project's Scope of Work C "Additional/Alternate Playground Elements" inclusion of the hilltop area improvements, laser harp, sway boat, renovation of the amphitheater, "Look Out" balcony, and adult fitness stations.

DISCUSSION

The AB-179 Budget Act of 2022, section 19.56, B, 16, C awards \$800,000 to the City of Santa Clara for the Magical Bridge All-Inclusive Playground in Central Park in the form of a Specified Grant. The State of California Grant program requires City adoption of a Resolution (Attachment 1) in order to submit a project application and to receive funds. Grant funds are to be used towards the playground items specified in Scope C as explained above. The Resolution confirms that the City has the funding to complete, operate and maintain the Project as noted below in the Fiscal Impact section of this report, and, if approved, will authorize the City Manager to administer the Grant.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The action being considered, adoption of a Resolution for the acceptance and allocation of funds,

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does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is a governmental organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Central Park Arbor Playground Project in the Parks and Recreation Capital Fund has a current, remaining budget of \$3,720,500. Current park maintenance activities are included in the City's Parks & Recreation annual Operating Budget.

The State Grant appropriates new funding in the amount of \$800,000 to increase the current project budget from \$3,720,500 to \$4,520,500. Any construction funding gaps will be requested from unallocated Park In-Lieu Fees at award of construction Bid, expected in early 2023.

Budget Amendment FY 2022/23

Parks and Recreation Capital Fund	Current	Increase/ (Decrease)	Revised
<u>Revenues</u> Other Agencies Revenue	\$1,800,000	\$800,000	\$2,600,000
<u>Expenditures</u> Central Park Arbor Playground Project	\$3,720,500	\$800,000	\$4,520,500

COORDINATION

This report has been coordinated with the City Attorney Office and Public Works Department and Finance Department.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the City Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, e-mail <u>clerk@santaclaraca.gov</u> <<u>mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov</u>>.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Adopt a Resolution Delegating Authority to the City Manager to Execute all Documents Associated with State of California Local Assistance Specified Grant;
- Approve the FY 2022/23 budget amendment to appropriate the State of California Local Assistance Specified Grant in the Parks and Recreation Capital Fund and increase the project appropriation by \$800,000 (five affirmative Council votes required to appropriate additional revenue).

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Reviewed by: James Teixeira, Director of Parks & Recreation Approved by: Rajeev Batra, City Manager

ATTACHMENTS 1. State of California 2022-23 Procedural Guide for Local Assistance Specified Grants

2. Resolution