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Title: Measure U - Park Maintenance Projects

Location: Citywide

Issue: On March 12, 2013 Council requested staff return with a prioritized list of park maintenance projects to expend one-time FY12/13 Measure U dollars and a Capital Investment Program (CIP) needs to be established to track expenditures.

Recommendation: 1) Review the Department of Parks and Recreation list of recommended Park Improvement projects that will be funded with Measure U resources and 2) pass a Resolution establishing the Maintenance and Capital Investment Program (CIP) L19706000.

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Presenter:

Department: Parks & Recreation Department

Division: Park Operations Administration

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Attachments:

1-Description/Analysis

2-Measure U Park Maint Projects Report-back

3-Measure U RESOLUTION

City Attorney Review

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City Treasurer Review

Reviewed for Impact on Cash and Debt

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Approvals/Acknowledgements

Department Director or Designee: Jim Combs - 4/15/2013 10:38:36 AM



Description/Analysis

Issue Detail: In response to Council's request at the March 12, 2013 meeting to return with a prioritized list of park maintenance projects to expend one-time FY12/13 Measure U dollars, staff has identified irrigation system repairs/upgrades and other capital investments that will increase efficiency in service delivery, improve water quality and in some cases, reduce costs. This investment will provide immediate improvement/restoration of the city's parks infrastructure that will positively affect park users across the city.

Policy Considerations: The recommended Measure U restorations are consistent with the tax measure approved by voters in November 2012. They are also consistent with the policies for the use of these funds which were adopted by the City Council on February 12, 2013.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines, continuing administrative activities so not constitute a project and are therefore exempt from review.

Sustainability Considerations: Repairs and improvements to the aging irrigation system will reduce water and electricity use and will rejuvenate and preserve the existing turf and other plant material in the city's parks.

Commission/Committee Action: None

Rationale for Recommendation: In order to restore and protect essential services, as outlined in the measure approved by voters in November 2012, the Parks and Recreation Department developed a list of critical projects to be funded by one-time FY12/13 Measure U dollars within the following prioritized categories: 1) meet legal requirements (ensuring park infrastructure conforms to code) and protect public health/safety; 2) address/avoid potential liabilities; and 3) realize savings in operating costs. A list of the Department's top 15 priority projects is shown in 'Attachment 2'.

In addition to the top 15 recommended projects provided in this report, the Department of Parks and Recreation has developed an ongoing tiered and prioritized list of deferred maintenance projects that include additional irrigation projects under categories 2 and 3, concrete and sidewalk repairs (43 projects), sport court hard surface repairs and restriping (32 projects), well repairs (10 projects), ponds and lake management (14 projects), bathroom repairs (9 projects), path and trail repairs (8 projects), playground

resurfacing and replacements (3 projects), and ongoing repair and replacement of hundreds of picnic tables, benches, and drinking fountains, to be addressed as future funding is made available. The Department has not had adequate time nor staff resources to provide estimates for these projects.

All 15 priority projects fall into category 1 and focus on water distribution and irrigation system improvements citywide. They were selected as the highest priority based upon the following rationale:

- Managing water resources is an important part of protecting City of Sacramento Parks and Recreation capital investments, including landscape and field and park assets.
- Addressing water use efficiencies and transitioning all parks to a centralized irrigation system is a goal in the City of Sacramento Parks and Recreation's Sustainability Plan, 2008-2015.
- The installation of the improved irrigation lines will substantially improve the turf area, particularly those areas that are not being irrigated properly or uniformly, resulting in healthy, green spaces for community use and enjoyment.
- Parks are all used extensively for recreation and sports activities. With the high volume of usage, it is vital for the city to maintain the turf in peak condition.
- Improved irrigation systems will address a large volume of community complaints, while minimizing the amount of maintenance necessary on our current systems.
- Addressing any water distribution issues (e.g., cross connections, installing backflow preventers, domestic water isolation from irrigation) helps to ensure the quality of the water.

Financial Considerations: On March 12, 2013, City Council allocated \$600,000 in FY2012/13 Measure U funds for high priority park maintenance projects. The estimated total cost of the projects shown in Attachment 2 is \$1.1 million. These estimates were created rather quickly by staff and are likely to change as requests for proposals are prepared and contractor bids are received. Parks and Recreation will begin working from the top of the list and continue until the allocated funds are exhausted.

While the Measure U funds will provide the resources to protect some vital services and begin to restore park infrastructure, it is evident that the need for critical infrastructure repair and replacement in our park system continues to eclipse available resources. To that end, the prioritized list of park projects recommended in this report for the use of Measure U dollars maximizes the value of the reinvestment in our parks.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Because this action does not involve the purchase of goods or services for the City, ESBD efforts are not applicable.



FY2012/13 Parks Measure U Top 15 Category "1" Priority Projects

Project	Council District	Park Site Name	Project Description	Estimated Cost
1	7	Hite Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	70,000
2	4	Zapata Park	Complete irrigation system upgrade. Abandon existing irrigation system, install new mainline, valves, lateral, and sprinklers. Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain, booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	60,000
3	4	Roosevelt Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain & restroom. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	45,000
4	5	Curtis Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain.	7,000
5	7	Renfree Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	60,000
6	6	Tahoe Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain & restrooms. Install new irrigation controllers.	55,000
7	5	Lawrence Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain & restroom. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor. Extend existing fence to protect pump & backflow.	30,000
8	3	Chuck Wagon Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain. Install new booster pump.	40,000
9	2	Robertson Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountains. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	60,000
10	4	Fremont Park	Install backflow, for drinking fountain & restroom. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	35,000
11	7	Mesa Grande Park	Install separate meter, backflow, for drinking fountain. Install new booster pump, irrigation controller, master valve, flow sensor.	70,000
12	6	Coloma Park	Complete irrigation system upgrade. Abandon existing irrigation system, install new mainline, backflow, irrigation controller, valves, back flow preventer, lateral, and sprinklers.	45,000
13	5	Belle Cooleidge Park	Disconnect water from DOU facility. Redesign irrigation system, new point of water connection, irrigation controller, electrical, booster pump.	260,000
14	3	McKinley Park (Garden and Art Center)	Complete irrigation system upgrade. Abandon existing irrigation system, install new point of connection, booster pump, back flow preventer, irrigation controller, mainline, valves, lateral, and sprinklers.	185,000
15	5	Woodbine Park	Complete irrigation system upgrade. Abandon existing transite pipe, install new mainline, backflow, valves, back flow preventer, lateral, and sprinklers.	100,000



RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

ESTABLISH MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM (CIP) L19706000 FOR MEASURE U PARK MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

BACKGROUND

- A. Voter approval of the Essential Services Protection Measure (Measure U) in November 2012 authorized the implementation of an additional one-half cent transaction and use tax effective April 1, 2013.
- B. Council approved Measure U Principles for the allocation of funds for essential services, including park maintenance, and \$600,000 of fiscal year (FY) 2012/13 dollars was allocated to the Parks and Recreation Department to fund critical infrastructure needs.
- C. In response to Council's request at the March 12, 2013 meeting, staff has provided a prioritized list of park maintenance projects to expend the \$600,000 allocation FY12/13 Measure U dollars.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Maintenance and Capital Investment Program (CIP) L19706000 is established to track expenditures of Measure U dollars.