



RECREATION PARK RENOVATION SUBCOMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 29, 2024, 4:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting of the Recreation Park Renovation Subcommittee was called to order by Shawn Green 4:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL –

Member Pirsztuk	Present
Member Motta	Present
Member Lubs	Present
Member Baldino	Present

CITY STAFF ATTENDANCE –

Recreation Supervisor – Shawn Green
Director of Public Works – Elias Sassoon

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

1. Skate Park

Chris Eidem discussed the El Segundo Skate Park redesign. He provided four possible drawings that showcased how the skate park could be extended, with the basketball court being resized and moved. Eidem noted how he and other skaters believe that drawing D would be the best option, in which the basketball court is shrunk into an elementary size since there is already a full court nearby. By doing this, it also allocates space for a sitting area in the skate park for parents, people who are taking a skating break, or others.

D. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Teen Center Survey Results

Recreation Supervisor Green suggested that the Skate Park remains next to the Teen Center, as the traffic of the skate park encourages visitation to the Teen Center as well. The subcommittee additionally discussed their thoughts on the skate park relocation, and how moving or expanding it would further lead to drainage issues. They also stated that a plan was put into place to add seating, which can be done, but having to redo the entire skate park would cost over a million dollars.

The subcommittee motioned to keep the skate park as it is. The motion passed 5-0.

2. Recreation Park Renovation Consultant Agreement Update

Director Sassoon provided a copy of the Staff Report, which proposed executing a professional services agreement with MIG to do the detail design drawing based on the schematics that LPA provided, along with everything that was provided to City Council in September 2023. Sassoon explained how the LPA proposal raised concerns, with the main issue being a high fee based on construction costs and still holding cost exclusions in their work. LPA was additionally not able to work with the environmental aspect of the renovation project, as they do not have the insurance to

cover it. Sassoon explained how he consulted with the City Manager, who suggested the \$800,000.00 negotiation with MIG formed by Sassoon and Director Mancini. Working with MIG, they would request consistent updates about the project and its stages to make sure that the City Council and the subcommittee would hold full clarity about what is occurring. Sassoon discussed the two ways of building facilities, being through the traditional schematic, conceptual, finalize, etc. method, and the design-build method. He advised against the design-build method because this usually works for projects in the hundreds of millions of dollars. It does, however, provide disadvantage by giving all the power to the contractor in charge of the build, which takes away from the subcommittee, and others, to speak for what they want.

3. Ball Fields

Director Sassoon reached out to a consulting firm for a long-term solution for the ball fields. For now, he stated that the short-term solution is to return to fix state engines and pumps so that they work, and he has already contacted vendors to identify the parts needed. For the long-term solution, the consulting firm will renovate the pump station, with a major change in the station's components, costing about \$2.5 million. Sassoon also addressed the runoff from the curb, which was in the chamber where the pumping occurs. Sassoon is going to redo the screen around it so that the tennis balls do not get in, further preventing this runoff. The smart new irrigation system will include redoing the turf, where MIG will be soil sampling to find out the necessary nutrition and top soiling to be brought in for green turf. The council agreed that once this project is completed, there should be no more drainage issues from the softball field onto the baseball field. Sassoon also proposed that he may ask for another \$50,000.00 from the Council to address these issues.

4. Public Art

The subcommittee briefly discussed how places like the skate park and the Plunge are places where the public art should be placed. As of now, there are no other updates.

E. ADJOURNMENT:

Adjourn to the next meeting on March 28, 2024, at 4:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 pm.