



PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** October 7, 2019
SUBJECT: Parks Capital Projects Update
PRESENTER: Bill Thornton, Assistant Director

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Mr. Bill Thornton, Assistant Director, will present an update on Parks Capital Projects.

TRAIL AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS

HomeTown Lakes Pedestrian Bridge Trail Development

This project provides for trail connections for the Walker's Creek Trail to the new pedestrian bridge crossing the northernmost lake of the Lakes of HomeTown. The bridge and bridge abutments are being installed by Arcadia Development and this project will provide for access to the bridge from the existing Walker's Creek Trail on both the east and west sides of the lake.

- **The project is complete.**

Trial and On-Road Safety Projects

This project will provide for the implementation of recommendations identified in the City Wide Trail and Route System study addressing safety enhancement at street crossings, warning signs and markings, 911 response location signs and trail and route connections. The recommendations for implementation are all designed to provide safe, friendly on-street bicycle transportation throughout the City.

- **Kimley-Horn, Inc. is working on the 60% completion submittal to staff and TxDOT. This new submittal is responsive to review and comments on the 30% completion submittal which was due at the end of July, 2019.**

PARK RENOVATION AND ENHANCEMENT

Linda Spurlock Park Renovation

This project involves the redevelopment of the existing neighborhood park through the design and construction of existing and new amenities based on stakeholder input meetings. Recommended park elements for the renovation of the park include a new parking lot, a new pavilion, upgrade of playground equipment and support facilities.

- **Dunaway Associates completed the Conceptual Plan and is proceeding with development of the construction plans and specifications.**

Park Infrastructure Maintenance (2019)

This project provides for maintenance of park infrastructure in response to use and age. Priorities for FY2019 include playground equipment replacement, fall zone material replacement, new drinking fountains, sport field bulb replacement, air conditioner replacement at Green Valley and Richfield, Fossil Creek restroom removal, Cross Timbers dugout roof repair, Green Valley dumpster screening wall and Adventure World fence replacement.

- **This project is comprised of several sub-projects. Drainage work at Tipps Canine Hollow Dog Park was completed the week of September 23, 2019.**

Richland Tennis Center Infrastructure Maintenance (2019)

This project provides for the maintenance of the Richland Tennis Center Infrastructure in response to use and age. Funding in FY2019 will provide for the replacement of tile surfaces in the restroom and window shades in the pro shop.

- **The project is currently open to bidders. A pre-bid conference was held on Friday September 20, 2019 with 4 vendors in attendance. Bids are due on Wednesday October 3, 2019 at 2:00 P.M. Council action is expected on October 28, 2019.**

BEAUTIFICATION AND CITY IMAGE

Park System Signage

This project provides for the design and construction of new, updated park signage that will provide a gateway to each park, consistent with the vision of “City as Park” as supported by the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. All park entry signs are scheduled to be replaced over a three-year period. Each year, as funding becomes available, Parks and Recreation staff will inspect and evaluate all signs, and respond with sign replacement projects in order of greatest priority.

- **The drawings are nearing completion and the project is expected to bid in October, 2019.**

Annual Tree Planting 2019

This project provides for the introduction of trees into the urban forest and replacement of trees that have died at various locations throughout the City. The project involves the installation of drought tolerant, native or adaptive trees. Park facilities to receive trees include Northfield Park as well as various other locations.

- **This project is complete including new irrigation bubblers to each of the new trees at Northfield Park.**

NRH CENTRE ENHANCEMENTS

NRH Centre Indoor Aquatic Pool Re-Plaster Project

This project is to re-plaster the Aquatics Facility at the NRH Centre. The project will include removal and replacement of all the pool plaster down to the substrate surface. Specifications for the project will include needed substrate repairs, tile repair and replacement of grates as needed.

- **The project is complete, however Classic Tile and Plaster is attending to some warranty items. The pool was drained on September 3 while Classic Tile and Plaster did a series of tests and applied acid to see if staining issues could be resolved. Unfortunately, the tests were unsuccessful, and Classic Tile and Plaster began re-plastering the pool on Monday September 23, 2019. There will be no additional cost to the City.**

IRON HORSE GOLF COURSE Enhancements

Iron Horse Golf Course Improvements

This project provides for engineering and professional services for the renovation of Iron Horse Golf Course. The golf course is 30 years old and resides almost entirely in the floodway. Over the years flooding has deteriorated the fairways, bunkers and greens. Many of the fairways are scoured with loss of turf due to the velocity and amount of water on the course. Urban development north of the golf course has also changed how the water flows through the golf course, causing additional flooding issues. The irrigation system is 30 years old and parts are hard to find because of new, more efficient technology. So that the golf course remains competitive in the DFW golf market, renovations are necessary to retain and attract golfers. Professional services will include engineering, hydraulic and drainage studies for a base map of the golf course, topographical map and schematic re-routing studies. Services will also include feature designs for configurations of centerlines, tees, greens, fairways, hazards, practice areas and sand bunker reductions. The consultant will provide preliminary cost estimates, irrigation design, floodplain evaluation and permitting, design development, construction documents and construction oversight.

- **A pre-bid conference was held on Tuesday September 17 with 6 vendors in attendance. There were several other “interested parties” in attendance as well. The project is using the Competitive Sealed Proposal process in which the winning vendor will be evaluated against published evaluation criteria. The vendor will be selected based on the best value to the City of North Richland Hills. The proposals are due on Wednesday September 25 at 2:00 P.M.**