

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS - LAND USE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 3

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE AND AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT AT CACTUS PARK AND RELATED CEQA EXEMPTION (DISTRICT: 2)

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego (County) Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) enhances the quality of life for county residents and visitors of all ages. In support of this mission, DPR operates more than 100 playground facilities throughout the county, promoting health and wellness opportunities for youth and families across the region. To ensure these amenities remain available for future generations to enjoy, DPR regularly reviews its playground inventory to identify those that have reached or are approaching the end of their useful life. These reviews are then used to prioritize the replacement of the most highly used and oldest playgrounds within its inventory. Depending on the age and frequency of use, routine maintenance and repairs alone are, at times, not able to prolong the serviceable life of some playground structures and more substantial improvements, including full replacements, are needed. The new preschool playground and shade structure at Cactus County Park in Lakeside, CA will replace the previous playground that was removed because it was broken beyond repair and was not accessible to all children. The new baseball-themed playground will contain baseball-oriented playground equipment that will highlight various items that are found within the baseball fields that surround the playground. The improvements will enhance the user experience and exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), thereby increasing access for children of all abilities. Cactus Park will also include other improvements such as new fencing for the ballfields, restoration of the dugouts, and converting the boardroom to a snack bar.

Today's proposed action will authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to advertise and award a construction contract and to take any action authorized by Section 401, et seq. of the Administrative Code for the procurement of equipment and the construction to install a new Playground Replacement at Cactus Park for an estimated replacement cost of \$580,000 including contingency. If approved, project construction is anticipated to begin in Summer 2025 and be completed in Fall 2025.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Find that today's actions for Playground Replacement at Cactus Park are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15302, 15303, and 15304.
2. Authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to advertise and award a construction contract and take any other action authorized by section 401 et seq. of the Administrative Code with respect to contracting for the construction of Playground Replacement at Cactus Park.

3. Designate the Director, Department of Parks and Recreation, as the County of San Diego Officer responsible for administering the construction contract, in accordance with Board Policy F-41, Public Works Construction Projects.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The playground replacement at Cactus Park will ensure the continuation of accessible recreational amenities for families and youth throughout the region. It is anticipated that the playground replacement will have a positive health impact on all demographics in the county by ensuring that playgrounds remain open and accessible. The Department of Parks and Recreation will continue to use available data from the 2020 Community Needs Assessment, Capital Investment Model, community feedback meetings, and community interactions to implement playground replacements for facilities that have reached the end of their useful life.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

All proposed materials and methods for this project are consistent with California Building Code and associated standards for efficiency. Approximately 25% of the materials used in the manufacturing of the playground equipment will be made of recycled plastic, which is consistent with the Board of Supervisors Policy B-67 where County departments are encouraged to use, to the maximum extent practical, products made with recycled materials, reusable products, and products designed to be recycled. This project will utilize the existing playground footprint and will result in limited ground disturbance. The project will fully comply with all local and State stormwater requirements and best practices, and it will not result in any significant demand for water or other resources.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Operational Plan for the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$1,750,000 for Major Maintenance Capital Outlay Fund (MMCOF) Project 1026101, Cactus Park Refurbishment. Construction costs for playground equipment for the Cactus Park Refurbishment project are estimated at \$580,000 including contingency. The remaining \$1,170,000 in project funding will be used for design and construction management of other improvements for Cactus Park, including new fencing for the ballfields, restoration of the dugouts, and the conversion of the boardroom to a snack bar. The funding source is available prior year General Fund fund balance. Maintenance of the new playground will be performed by existing DPR operations staff. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

Expenditures resulting from this action will create private-sector jobs and economic opportunities in San Diego County.

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Anderson

State of California)
County of San Diego)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter

