

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4.a. Woodbury Park Revitalization and Expansion Project – Presentation of Construction Plans

Staff and David Volz Design Landscape Architectural team provided a presentation for the Woodbury Park Revitalization and Expansion project.

Staff provided background information. In December 2021, the City of Garden Grove was awarded a \$6,000,000 grant from the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

The remodel of the 3.3-acre Woodbury Park includes an expansion of half acre on school property, installation of a new walking trail, outdoor fitness equipment, recreational swimming pool, two playground areas, picnic shelters, a skate spot, basketball courts, lighting, restrooms, and a parking lot.

These improvements were designed with the help of residents through various community meetings during the grant application process.

The design and construction plans are being prepared by David Volz Design Landscape Architects.

Gary Vazquez provided renderings and details of overall project, playground areas, skate spot, and elevation drawings of both the pool house and restroom buildings.

Staff provided the following project timeline:

- Currently, the 90% Construction Documents are in plan check review, staff hope to have them back with comments in the next week with the goal to have 100% completion during the month of June 2024
- Release the bid package by July 2024
- Award construction contract in August 2024
- Ground breaking in September 2024
- Completion of construction in fall of 2025

Commissioner Stevens asked if lap swimming will be allowed in addition to lessons and recreational swimming. The plan is keep the pool open year-round, but that will be determined on several factors. He also inquired if the school will have access to the pool, staff responded that it is part of the joint agreement but this hasn't been discussed with the school district thus far.

Commissioner Perez inquired if the pool will be heated, staff replied that it will be, based on health code requirements.

Commissioner Maher asked if there isn't already an opening on Phyllis Place. Staff explained that there currently isn't one. The plan is to remove about seven feet of the existing wall to the right-of-way and this will be a new pedestrian entrance. He

also asked where everyone will park if it becomes a destination park. Mr. Vazquez explained that there will be a new parking lot as part of the project, in addition to street parking, and possibly coordinating with the school to use their parking lot for special events. Staff added that this park will not be considered a destination park.

Commissioner Arestegui inquired if there is any way to acquire funding for the wading pool and if so, what would be the deadline before construction begins and avoid delays to the timeline. Staff replied that funding would need to be determined by August, when construction bids are due. If not enough funding is acquired from other sources, then the plan would remain and wading pool would not be part of the project.

Staff added that residents who attended previous community meetings were invited to attend today's commission meeting, one resident was present. Staff do plan to hold another community meeting at Woodbury Park as the project advances. They will work with the Office of Community Relations to post updates on various media outlets.

5. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

6. MATTERS FROM STAFF:

7. ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:38 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned to Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at Eastgate Park, 12001 Saint Mark St., Garden Grove.

SUGEIRY REYNOSO
Commission Secretary