



City of Huntington Beach

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MEETING DATE: 11/16/2021

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

SUBMITTED TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: Oliver Chi, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Chris Slama, Director of Community & Library Services

Subject:

Consider Approval of the Community Services Commission Approved Edison Park Reconfiguration Conceptual Plan

Statement of Issue:

In May 2021, the City began coordinating the public outreach process related to developing a conceptual plan for the reconfiguration of Edison Park. Development of the 2021 conceptual plan included extensive community outreach, and staff and our design firm consultant RJM Design Group, solicited public input in the form of two virtual on-line surveys, an in person community survey meeting, and an in person design charrette conducted at the Edison Community Center. Additional details related to the local community input and conceptual planning process are available on the dedicated Edison Park Conceptual Plan website, available online at:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/3467e1031de94d37b78aeb93084c007b>

The Community & Library Services Commission (CLSC) is meeting on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, to review and consider approval of a final design concept for Edison Park. The full CSC agenda report, along with the current proposed conceptual plan, are included as Attachment A & B to this report. Pending CLSC determination regarding the design concept, the final recommended design plan as reviewed by the CLSC will be transmitted via supplemental communication and presented for full City Council consideration at our November 16, 2021 meeting.

Financial Impact:

Funding in the amount of \$300,000 has been included in the City's FY 21-22 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Edison Community Park design services, which is sufficient to begin the design development process. Additional funds will need to be identified and budgeted as the project proceeds through the design and construction phases.

Recommended Action:

Approve the final Edison Park reconfiguration conceptual plan, and authorize staff to move forward with initiating development of the design and bid package for construction of the updated facility.

Alternative Action(s):

Do not approve the recommended action and direct staff accordingly.

Analysis:

Edison Park, located at 21377 Magnolia Avenue, was constructed in the early 1970's and was opened to the public in 1974. Since that time, the 40 acre park has functioned as one of the main recreation facilities in the City. With multiple sports facilities and a community center building, Edison Park offers a wide range of programs for sports leagues, cultural and recreation classes to meet the recreational needs of the public.

Based on the public outreach efforts engaged by the City as part of the Edison Park reconfiguration process, a variety of proposed improvements have been included in the proposed conceptual master. Among the elements that are incorporated into the draft plan include:

- Reconfigured parking lot with enhanced entries
- New basketball courts (4 full and 4 half-court)
- New dedicated tennis courts (2)
- New dedicated pickleball courts (8) on two of the existing tennis courts
- New dual striped courts (2 tennis, or 8 pickleball)
- New sport court plaza with seating and shade
- Enclosed dog area with water, seating, and shade
- Reconfigured walkways
- New trees
- New shade shelter
- New outdoor exercise stations
- New tot lot with rubberized surfacing, equipment and shade
- 4 new U-10 youth soccer overlays, with 2 full size overlay options
- Enlarged skate area
- New pump track
- Reconfiguration of existing batting cages
- New park restrooms and concession stand near softball fields
- Expansion of the exterior community restrooms

Pending approval by the CLSC and authorization by the City Council, the next step in the process would be the development of detailed engineering plans and specs, including preparation of a preliminary construction estimate.

Environmental Status:

The project will go through appropriate CEQA clearances as identified in the entitlement process.

Strategic Plan Goal:

Enhance and maintain infrastructure.

Attachment(s):

1. Community & Library Services Commission Staff Report - Edison Park Reconfiguration
Conceptual Plan
2. Edison Park Conceptual Plan Diagram