

# Agenda Report

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

**Date:** January 19, 2022

**To:** Parks, Recreation and Community Services Commission

**From:** Virginia Santana, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Subject: Parnell Park State Specific Grant Update

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file update on the Parnell Park State Specific Grant Update.

### **BACKGROUND**

Parnell Park, located originally at 10711 Scott Avenue, is a 12.8-acre park in a residential neighborhood between Lambert Road and Mulberry Drive.

On March 9, 2021, City Council approved the filing for a statewide park development and community revitalization program grant to begin seeking funds to renovate Parnell Park.

On November 9, 2021, City Council approved Resolution No. 2021-87. Additionally, the architect has sent Staff different renovation concepts for Parnell Park. Furthermore, Staff is working towards obtaining signatures for the resolution and agreements that outline what renovation Parnell Park will undergo.

#### DISCUSSION

Budget trailer bills AB 170 and SB 170 included \$5 million as a designated grant to the City of Whittier for Parnell Park through the state budget process. California State Parks staff recently requested a meeting with City staff to begin discussing the application and funding process.

Guided by the prior public outreach process and previous consideration by City Council, the following items are proposed to be funded by the Specific Grant for the Parnell Park renovation:

- Youth Sports Fields, lighting and ancillary improvements
- Playground and Rubberized Surfacing
- Fitness Par Course
- New Restroom Facility
- Splash Pad

In the event the application to the Statewide Park Development Program is also funded, staff will work with the State Parks grant-officers on complementary, non-duplicative scopes of work for Parnell Park. Future City Council action would be necessary to accept

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and appropriate any potential funds and approve proposed changes to the scope of work for the Statewide Park Development Program.

# FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

# **STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL**

Goal 4: Transparent and Open Government

## **ATTACHMENTS**

None.