

Meeting Date: October 19, 2020

Agenda Item:8.2

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Authorization to Apply for a Statewide Parks Program Grant for Tennyson Park Renovation [RESOLUTION]

Executive Summary:

The Board of Directors will consider authorizing staff to submit a Statewide Parks Program - Round 4 application for the Tennyson Park Renovation project.

Financial Impact:

The Five-Year Capital Improvement Program 2020-2025 includes funding for the Tennyson Park Renovation project (CIP No. 2-097B). If awarded, the Statewide Park Program (SPP) grant would cover the majority of the Tennyson Park Renovation development costs.

Staff Recommendation:

By motion, approve the Resolution to submit a Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program Grant application for the Tennyson Park Renovation project.

Description of Item:

The Statewide Park Program - Round 4 (SPP), funded by the Parks and Water Bond Act (Proposition 68), is a competitive grant program to create new parks and new recreation opportunities in under-served communities across California. Grant applications are due on December 14, 2020, up to \$8.5 million can be submitted for each application and no matching funds are required.

The District has identified the Tennyson Park Renovation project (CIP No. 2-097B) as an eligible and competitive project for the SPP grant program due to its location in an under-served community with inadequate access to parkland. A series of community meetings were held in May and June 2019 to develop a community-driven park design and to satisfy the community engagement requirements per the SPP grant guidelines. To further enhance the grant application, the District will conduct a virtual meeting to engage the community on an art mural planned on an existing, concrete masonry wall at the park.

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