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Carmichael



RECREATION AND
PARK DISTRICT

To: Advisory Board Directors

From: Stacey Yankee, District Administrator
Mike Blondino, Advisor to the District Administrator

Date: October 17, 2024

Subject: Carmichael Park and La Sierra Community Center Conceptual Designs

Introduction/Discussion:

Staff and the Cumming Group have been working in partnership with MTW to upgrade both Carmichael Park and the La Sierra Community Center. Since early June 2024, we have conducted bi-weekly meetings to guide the project's development. Through a combination of community engagement and expert input, we have finalized conceptual designs that are now ready for your review and approval. Your approval will allow us to move into the construction document phase.

Project Timeline and Community Engagement:

Bi-Weekly Meetings (Since early June 2024):

The team, consisting of staff, the Cumming Group, and MTW, has held regular bi-weekly meetings to ensure the progress and alignment of the redesigns at both sites.

Carmichael Park:

- **Community Survey (Early August 2024):**

A survey of the surrounding neighborhood was conducted through various outreach methods, including postcards, signage in the park, and social media. This allowed us to gather important feedback from local residents about park improvements.

- **Online Community Meeting (August 20, 2024):**

On August 20th, we held an online community meeting to present the results of the survey and gather additional feedback. This meeting was focused on key areas of the park: the Linda LeRoy (Tiny Tot) Playground at the Veterans Memorial Building, pickleball courts, and a new restroom facilities by the tennis/pickleball courts.

- **Additional Focus Areas:**

- **Linda LeRoy (Tiny Tot) Playground:** Emphasis on upgrading the playground to be safe and accessible for younger children.
- **Pickleball Courts & New Restroom:** Renovating two (2) tennis courts into six (6) pickleball courts and adding a restroom to improve facilities for users.
- **Roadway in Farmers Market/Food Truck area:** Resurface the roadway along the Farmers Market/Food Truck area to improve safety. This will be the first of many roadway improvements to the park.
- **ADA Accessibility:** Addressing accessibility issues throughout these upgraded areas to ensure ADA compliance.

La Sierra Community Center:

- **Focus of the Upgrades:**

- **Soccer Field Redevelopment:** The project includes a complete redevelopment of the soccer field, making it safer and more functional for community use.
- **ADA Access to Baseball Fields:** Improved accessibility to two baseball fields in the soccer field area, ensuring compliance with ADA standards.
- **Walking Path & Snack Bar Area:** A new walking path will be added around the soccer field, tying into the Carmichael Little League Snack Bar area to enhance the park's overall functionality.
- **Community Center Upgrades:**
 - **HVAC System Replacement:** The project includes the replacement of outdated HVAC systems.
 - **Roof Repairs:** This project will mark the final phase of roof repairs over the covered walkways, ensuring long-term structural integrity and weather protection.

Conceptual Design Highlights:

- **Carmichael Park:**

- Redesigned Linda LeRoy (Tiny Tot) Playground at the Veterans Memorial Building.
- New pickleball courts and restroom facilities.
- Enhanced roadway safety along the Farmers Market/Food Trucks area.
- Improved ADA accessibility in redesigned areas.

- **La Sierra Community Center:**

- Soccer field redevelopment to meet current recreational standards.
- ADA access to two baseball fields for inclusivity.
- New walking path around the soccer field and connecting to the CLL Snack Bar area.
- Replacement of outdated HVAC systems and final phase of roof repairs.

Recommendation:

Staff recommend accepting the presented conceptual design by MTW. Upon your approval, we will move into the detailed construction drawing phase, where we will further refine the project and work towards bidding of the project and construction.