

Carmichael

RECREATION AND
PARK DISTRICT

Memo

To: Advisory Board of Directors

From: Mike Blondino, District Administrator
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Date: February 20, 2020

Subject: Prop 68 Per Capita Program Update and Project Recommendation

Background/Discussion:

In August 2019, the Advisory Board voted to approve and adopt an authorizing resolution for filing of all applications associated with the Prop 68 Per Capita Program. The County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution, giving its final approval in October 2019.

The Per Capita Program is associated with Proposition 68, approved by voters on June 5, 2018. The performance period for the Program runs July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2022. There are competitive programs available too with different criteria and requirements.

The funds are available for local park rehabilitation, creation, and improvement grants to local governments on a per capita basis. The Program encourages recipients to use funds to rehabilitate existing infrastructure and to address deficiencies in neighborhoods lacking access to the outdoors.

Existing Selected Project

The project previously selected meeting the Per Capita Program's eligibility criteria was the *La Sierra Community Center Play Area Asphalt Improvement Project*. Since the project location does not serve the severely disadvantaged, California Montessori Project, Inc.'s (CMP) partnership assisted the District in meeting the match. CMP contracted with the District to provide up to half of the total project costs not to exceed \$150,000, exceeding the 20% match requirement. This left \$50,000 available for a

qualifying project. District staff committed to review and report back a recommendation to the Advisory Board.

Guidelines

- Projects must be for recreational purposes, either acquisition or development.
- Up to 5% of the allocation may be used for a community access project, defined as, but not limited to:
 - Transportation.
 - Physical activity programming.
 - Resource interpretation.
 - Multilingual translation.
 - Natural science.
 - Workforce development and career pathways.
 - Education.
 - Communication related to water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and other outdoor pursuits
- Multiple projects may be completed under one contract; however, each project requires a separate application.
- A project can only have one location. One project that serves several parks is not permitted.
- Grantees are encouraged to partner with other grantees on projects
- Projects not serving a “severely disadvantaged community” (median household income less than 60% of the statewide average) require a 20% match
- Grantees must use Per Capita grant funds to supplement existing expenditures, rather than replace them.

Recommended Identified Project

District staff reviewed potential projects from the FY2019-20 CIP to use the remaining \$50,000 and identified the *CP Bocce Ball Courts* as an eligible project. Staff met with the Facility/Budget Committees to review and discuss using the remaining Per Capita funds towards this project. This project meets the criteria in the guidelines. The Carmichael Parks Foundation has raised nearly \$31k towards the project and is committed to funding the remaining amount necessary to construct at least two bocce ball courts, which exceeds the 20% required match. The District has spent \$7,154, leaving a balance of \$30,964 towards a total commitment of \$53,860. Total project budget: \$103.6k (Current budget allocation: \$100k)

Next Steps

Application submission – OGALS is working to recognize each entities Per Capita amount in excess of the \$200k minimum, hence OGALS has extended the deadline for application submission to a future unknown date. Staff wants to be prepared to submit for both the La Sierra Community Center Play Area Renovation and the Carmichael Park Bocce Courts projects.

Budget and Cash Flow

The FY2019-20 Budget includes allocations for both of these projects. Once the Per Capita Program funds are available and no later than March 31, 2022, the District can seek reimbursement through OGALS. The grant reimbursement funds will be available without any use restriction for the LSCC Play Area Renovation, while the \$50k reimbursements towards the CP Bocce Ball Courts project may have to be returned to Park Impact Fees.

RECOMMENDATION:

Facility/Budget Committee and Staff recommend that the Advisory Board approve using the remaining funds through Prop 68 Per Capita Program for the filing of an application for the Carmichael Park Bocce Courts Project.