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City of Nevada City
AGENDA
Parks Initiative Committee
April 24, 2024

5:00 PM
City Hall – Beryl P. Robinson, Jr. Conference Room
317 Broad Street, Nevada City, CA 95959

PARKS STRATEGIC INITIATIVE
Parks, Open Space, Recreation, Programming, and Community Facilities

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PARKS STRATEGIC INITIATIVE COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

MEETING OF: April 24, 2024

Agenda Item No. 01

Subject: Update on the Proposition 64 Funded Park Project **Date:** April 16, 2024
Including the Seven Hills Field Upgrades and City Skate Park.

From: Sean Grayson, City Manager

Reviewed & Approved: City Manager:

Recommended Action: Receive a report, solicit public input, and make any recommendations on the topic.

ISSUE STATEMENT AND DISCUSSION:

On October 13, 2023, the committee recommended that the City Council consider a grant modification to the previously awarded Proposition 64 Cohort 3 grant to include funding for a Nevada City Skatepark in addition to changing the original approval of a turf field conversion at Seven Hills Middle School to a natural grass project. On November 8, 2023, the City Council approved the submission of the grant modification documents to include the following items within the project:

- Skatepark land acquisition and site design
- Skatepark amenity design primary element build
- Skatepark parking (on existing private property)
- Skatepark bathroom and snack shack
- Regrading, drainage and sprinkler upgrades, and new grass installation at 7-Hills
- A decomposed granite track around the field at 7-Hills

The City Council also approved the project to be included in the City's Capital Improvement Program and to include a Phase 2 with the following items not yet funded:

- Skatepark security measures including fencing, cameras, etc.
- Path of travel from the 7-Hills school property to the skatepark property
- A bathroom and snack shack at 7-Hills
- A fencing project at 7-Hills
- A future baseball/softball field conversion at 7-Hills

Staff submitted the grant modification to the grantor and received confirmation of the approval in late March 2024.

School Site Update

Staff has met with Nevada City School District staff regarding the 7-Hills portion of the project and to review phase 1 grading, irrigation, seeding, and track locations and phase 2 site location, utility needs, ADA path of travel, and design for bathroom snack shack. The map of the site is represented in Map #1 below.

Skatepark Update

The skate park is anticipated to be located on land donated by the owner of the Tech Center adjacent parcel. The parcel is represented in Map #1 below. The parcel size is approximately 25,000 square feet and would include the skate amenities and a bathroom / snack shack building. The parking would be on the existing Tech Center property. By means of comparison, the hardscape concrete of the Condon Park skatepark (that is being replaced) is approximately 19,500. The Condon Park site uses a shared park bathroom not on site of the skatepark and has 12 parking spots and one ADA parking spot.

Map #1 (green is field, blue is skatepark, orange is parking)



Next Steps for the School Project

- Meet with the school district to refine the design of phase 1 and plan for phase 2.
- Create and issue an RFP for the phase 1 project in June 2024 or in a timeline best for the school district.
- Develop an agreement between the District and the City for project delivery and funding.
- Plan for and design phase 2 amenities.
- Apply for grants or other funding sources for phase 2 amenities.

Next Steps for the Skate Park Project

- Determine interest in a community coalition helping guide the process.
- Engage with Grass Valley's process for Condon Park skate park rebuild for lessons learned.
- Secure a contract for property acquisition.
- Conduct community meetings on the site and identify neighborhood concerns.
- Conduct meetings looking at various amenities, sizes, and costs to inform a future request for proposal to design the skatepark.
- Design and issue an RFP for implementation of Phase 1.
- Plan for and design phase 2 amenities.
- Apply for grants or other funding sources for phase 2 amenities.

FINANCIAL AND/OR POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

None with this action.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This action is consistent with the strategic initiative of Parks: Parks, Open Space, Recreation, Programming, and Community Facilities. The action specifically addresses, in part, goal #3, "Engage the community in a parks, open space, recreation, and community facilities needs analysis," and goal #7, "Actively pursue grants including Prop 68 and regional partnership grant opportunities".

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:

None with this action. The ultimate project will include environmental review and filing in accordance with Nevada City regulations and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

ATTACHMENTS:

None.



PUBLIC COMMENTS

From: [Jim Sperlazza](#)
To: [Public Comment](#)
Subject: Skate Park
Date: Friday, April 19, 2024 1:27:26 PM

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Dear City Council Members,

My name is Jim Sperlazza and I live at 222 Reward St, NC. I am also a prior 7 Hills School Board Member. I am vehemently opposed to any further activity with access on Reward, Woodpecker, or Heilmen St. for several reasons; We already contend with parents using the fire road on the corner of Reward & Heilmen which literally blocks access to our home in the event of an Emergency the fire and or ambulance vehicles would not be able to get to the residences which could be life threatening.

Attempting to use Public grant school funding for a commercial privately owned enterprise at the very least is a conflict of interest.

Reward Street is in terrible condition with single lane passage in some areas - can't imagine how long it's been since the last paving and you want to allow more traffic and wear and tear on the Street?

The skating parties already being held at the tech center during the week interfere with our peace and quiet especially after 10 pm and how does this take place without the proper zoning?

Having parking for the skating on Reward is dangerous and will be a disaster.

I can't imagine the zoning is in place for these activities and therefore are unlawful.

We already see a mountain bike course has been built without permission nor I'm Guessing without the appropriate insurance in place.

I've talked to neighbors and No One agrees that this is a good idea.

All you would be doing is helping cannabis money to be used to take over the area.

We will fight this and given our proximity to the location You are Required to provide notice to any meetings or decisions regarding these activities.

I'd like an explanation and verification that you are Not allowing activities that conflict with the zoning for the area.

Not happy so hopefully intelligence will prevail and the playing field will be upgraded as originally planned.

Respectfully,

Jim Sperlazza

222 Reward St

Nevada City

Sent from my iPhone