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Action Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

4:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second Floor, City Council
chambers

Park Advisory Commission

1 CALL TO ORDER**2 ROLL CALL**

Present: 8 - Robert Galardi, David Santacroce, Paige Morrison, Julie Grand, Lauren London, Mike Appel, Rachel Skylis, and Jeff Hayner

Absent: 3 - Stephen Borgsdorf, Praveena Ramaswami, and Ruth L. Kraut

3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Galardi, seconded by Skylis, and approved unanimously as presented.

4 FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT**5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

5-A [19-1774](#) Minutes of the August 20, 2019 PAC Meeting

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council.

6 PRESENTATIONS

6-A [19-1775](#) Huron Hills Stormwater Project

Received and Filed

7 REPORTS**7-A REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER**

[19-1778](#) Report from Parks and Recreation Manager

7-B REPORT FROM RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**7-C REPORTS FROM RELEVANT COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND/OR TASKFORCES****8 REGULAR BUSINESS**

8-A [19-1776](#) Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Construction Change Order with Gerace Construction Company, Inc. for the Geddes Dam Gate Recoating and Repairs Project, and amend the project budget

Moved by Galardi, seconded by Appel to Recommend Approval of a Construction Change Order with Gerace Construction Company, Inc. for the

Geddes Dam Gate Recoating and Repairs Project, and amend the project budget

On a roll call vote, the vote was as follows with the Chair declaring the resolution passed.

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND AWARDING CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 (\$281,416.90) FOR THE GEDDES DAM GATE RECOATING AND REPAIRS PROJECT TO GERACE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., AND AMEND THE PROJECT BUDGET

Whereas, It is necessary to complete the Geddes Dam Gate Recoating and Repairs Project to replace failed coatings; repair and replace corroded structural components; address State of Michigan Dam Safety Unit comments; improve maintenance, operation, and safety;

Whereas, Structural inspection of the gate has identified major issues including significant section loss of structural steel members due to advanced corrosion, bent steel members, excessive wear and failed components;

Whereas, it has been determined that it will be more costly to repair the gates as originally planned than it will be to fabricate new gates for complete replacement;

Whereas, The Geddes Dam is critical infrastructure and is classified as a high hazard potential dam and a recreational dam;

Whereas, Gerace Construction Company, Inc. (Gerace) was awarded the Geddes Dam Gate Recoating and Repair Project as part of Resolution R-19-195 on May 6, 2019; Whereas, Funding in the amount of \$281,416.90 is available in the approved FY20 Parks Maintenance and Capital Improvements Millage capital budget;

Whereas, Gerace complies with the City's Conflict of Interest, Living Wage and Non-Discrimination ordinances.

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommends Council approves Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$281,416.90 to the Contract with Gerace for the Geddes Dam Gate Recoating and Repairs Project and increase the construction contingency by \$27,200 for a total of \$110,000.00 to cover potential contract change orders for a total contract amount of \$1,184,316.90 (\$74,800 for unrelated Barton repairs funded from a non-Parks source) to be expendable for the life of the project without regard to fiscal year, and amends the project budget to \$1,300,916.90.

8-B

[19-1777](#)

Resolution to Recommend Plan for "Parks Fairness" Funds

Moved by Kraut, seconded by Ramaswami to recommend Plan for "Parks Fairness" Funds

On a roll call vote the vote was as followed with the Chair delcaring the resolution passed.

PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING WHERE TO ALLOCATE FUNDS RECEIVED (\$389,168) FROM THE PARKS "FAIRNESS

RESOLUTION”

Whereas, a vibrant, extensive, and healthy parks system is part of every great town and city;

Whereas, Ann Arbor residents value their parks, and recreational facilities and support these amenities through their taxes and patronage;

Whereas, The Fiscal Year 2020 Parks operating budget was increased by \$389,168 due to the Parks “Fairness Resolution” – a Council adopted administrative policy that states that the Parks & Recreation budget be increased at the same percentage as the average General Fund overall budget percent increase;

Whereas, This amount is larger than in years past and provides opportunity to further capital project needs across the Park system;

Whereas, PAC has identified budget priorities as sustaining facilities and activities for all residents, especially low income residents where services are perhaps otherwise not available;

Whereas, Community Action Network provides crucial services at the Bryant and Northside Community Centers and has seen a reduction of \$18,500 in their Fiscal Year 2020 operating funds;

Whereas The Gallup Park Vehicle Bridge is a critical piece of infrastructure in the enjoyment of Gallup Park and is in need of replacement in 2023/24;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor Skatepark is a world class, popular facility used virtually year round, for no charge;

RESOLVED, That PAC recommends allocating the additional \$389,168 in Parks funding in the following manner:

1. Increase CAN’s FY20 contract with the City by \$18,500.
2. Allocate \$100,000 toward the installation of lights at the Veterans Memorial Park Skatepark.
3. Allocate \$145,668 toward the replacement of the Gallup Vehicle Bridge in 2023/24.
4. Hold the remaining \$125,168 in contingency until the May 2020 PAC meeting for further discussion.

9 LAND ACQUISITION MATTERS

The Parks Advisory Commission entered a closed session at 5:13 p.m. to discuss Land Acquisition.

Closed session was exited at 5:46 p.m.

10 SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT (Not Limited to Agenda Items)**11 COMMUNICATIONS**

11-A [19-1779](#) Park Planning Capital Project Update

Received and Filed

11-B [19-1780](#) PAC Council Update

Received and Filed

11-C [19-1781](#) Parks Project Status Table

Received and Filed

12 **CLOSED SESSION**

13 **ADJOURNMENT**

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Paige Morrison, Chairperson of the Park Advisory Commission

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