



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 4/11/2022

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion on Park and Recreation Department updates.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: N/A

FUNDS REQUESTED: N/A

FUND: N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

ADMINISTRATION

Veterans RFQ: Staff advertised a Request for Qualifications for Veterans Park Renovations in December 2021. Veterans Park Renovations project was not an approved project for the bond package consideration by City Council on February 22, 2022. However, at the March 21 joint meeting with Angleton Better Living Corporation and the Parks and Recreation Board, Burditt Consultants, LLC. were selected for the project as funding becomes available. This project is not a priority at this time.

South Side Park Land Acquisition: Staff closed on the south side property Tuesday, February 8, 2022. On March 22, staff was given direction by City Council to pursue additional parcels but is still waiting to hear back from other landowners.

Downing Tennis Courts: Staff sent a draft of an interlocal agreement for joint use of the Downing tennis courts with Angleton Independent School District. Joint use must be approved by the AISD School Board before we can proceed with renovations. ABLC has approved up to \$30,000 in renovations.

PAR Department & Abigail Arias Park Survey: This year, one of the action items listed in the Parks & Recreation Master and Strategic Plan is to review and revise the Parks & Recreation mission and vision statements to ensure they reflect community needs and departmental direction. In preparation for a mission and vision workshop with staff, the department will be publishing a community needs assessment and parks and recreation performance survey along with additional questions related to the development of the Abigail Arias Park and Municipal Pool site.

Special Event Permitting: Parks & Recreation staff are continuing to work in conjunction with other city departments to develop ordinance drafts, standard operating procedures, and a public application process for obtaining a Special Event Permit within the City of Angleton. Staff completed a draft ordinance to be reviewed by the City Attorney. The newly drafted ordinance will guide the development of internal processes and procedures Special Event Permitting. The Special Event Permitting ordinance and process will be subject to review and approval of the appropriate boards and of City Council.

ADA Self Evaluation & Transition Plan: Staff held a kick-off meeting with Kimley-Horn on January 10, 2022. Kimley-Horn is conducting the self-evaluation from January to April 2022. This will be about a nine-month project where the Hike & Bike Subcommittee and other community stakeholders will serve as the ADA Advisory Committee.

RECREATION

Recreation Center Renovations: The facility has several projects that have either been completed or in process. The scoreboard was updated in January. Automatic doors were installed. Damper replacements for the aquatics area have been ordered. A new operable wall has been ordered for the multipurpose rooms. New pieces of weight room equipment have been ordered and are anticipated to arrive late April.

Recreation Center Plaza: With ABLC funding, staff have been working to renovate the courtyard plaza. Renovations are set to include strand lighting, picnic tables and umbrellas, and concrete games, including cornhole and ping pong. The concrete wall was removed this winter and park staff will install plaza lights as time allows this summer.

Events & Programs: Staff is also preparing for summer and planning a youth track program and youth volleyball. Senior programming is going well, with a new program, Bingocize, and the first overnight trip of the year both scheduled for April.

Recreation Revenue and Operations: During the December ABLC meeting, staff was directed to analyze the Angleton Recreation Center revenue and operation pitfalls and propose recommendations for improvement. Staff have analyzed several factors that impact Angleton Recreation Center revenue including how the facility compares to competitors within the market, needs of past and current ARC members, membership structure and offerings, as well as existing facility usage and conditions. Staff will present proposed changes to ABLC in April and hope to move forward with proposed changes early this summer.

i9 Sports: Staff met with i9 Sports representatives to offer additional youth athletic programs in Angleton. i9 Sports is the nation's largest multi-sport provider focused solely on high-quality, community-based kids sports leagues. They offer recreational sports leagues, camps, and clinics for boys and girls in today's most popular sports such as flag football, soccer, basketball, lacrosse, and volleyball. Their coaches and instructors provide age-appropriate instruction that's both fun for kids and convenience for busy families. We hope to finalize agreements with i9 this spring for summer camps, leagues, and fall clinics.

PARKS

Bates Park: Pavilion, basketball goal, and lighting installation is complete. Masonry material has been ordered. Staff is waiting for masonry and surfacing to be installed. The projected completion date is end of May.

Field five lights have been installed and electrical should be complete by the first week in April.

Pricing was collected for a replacement spinner at Bates Playground. Staff is waiting for an estimated delivery date to determine if it should be replaced this FY for FY 2022-2023.

BG Peck Soccer Complex: Staff is working with the Public Works Department to clean culverts and ditches to assist with field drainage.

Lone Star Recreation is scheduled to be complete with BG Peck playground the first week in April pending no additional weather delays.

Park Standards: Kimley Horn has submitted a 60% level of completion draft of the City of Angleton Parks and Recreation Design Standards Manual. A 90% level of completion draft of the City of Angleton Parks and Recreation Design Standards Manual will be presented to ABLC April 18 for final input. This project is scheduled to be complete at the end of April 2022.

RECOMMENDATION: N/A