



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 6/17/2024

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action on an expenditure for Angleton Recreation Center natatorium component materials.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$500,000.00 **FUNDS REQUESTED:** \$98,320.00

FUND: 40-506-520

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On January 9, 2024, the Angleton Better Living Corporation (ABLC) approved the Vortex option for the replacement of natatorium components for the Angleton Recreation Center for \$200,828.61 to be funded by the \$4,000,000 2024 Angleton Better Living Corporation debt issuance.

The Parks & Recreation Department (PARD) staff has been working diligently with Vortex and Randle Law Office (RLO) to develop a service agreement for City Council approval. PARD staff is prepared to execute a service agreement with Vortex. However, PARD staff would like to apply for the Local Parks Non-Urban Indoor Recreation grant offered by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) to provide funding for Angleton Recreation Center renovations including the installation of natatorium components.

The Local Parks Non-Urban Indoor Recreation program provides 50% matching grants on a reimbursement basis to eligible applicants with a grant ceiling of \$1,500,000. The 50% match must be readily available at the time of the application and the application deadline is August 1, 2024.

Once funded, all grant-assisted sites must remain as parkland in perpetuity, no non-recreational uses may be introduced, boundaries can expand, but not contract, grant-funded construction must remain in place for 25 years, pools, splash pads, and indoor facilities must remain in place for 40 years, a permanent sign must remain in place, parkland must remain well-maintained and open to the public.

Instead of using the \$500,000 allocated to Angleton Recreation Center improvements including natatorium component replacement, staff would like to reserve 2024 ABLC bond funds and other dedicated funds to the 50% match that must be readily available at the time of application.

Additionally, due to the current manufacturing lead time of 20-24 weeks, staff recommends ABLC approve the purchase of natatorium component materials out of account 40-506-520 ABLC Contingency so that materials are on hand when the TPWD informs grant applicants if they have been awarded TPWD grant funds.

The timeline for the grant is as follows:

- Deadline – August 1, 2024
- Fall 2024 – TPWD reviews and scores grant applications
- January 2025 – TPWD awards applicants and schedules site visits
- Spring 2025 – TPWD and the applicant enter into an agreement and projects commence

The FY2023-2024 ABLC budget includes \$261,296 in account 40-506-520 ABLC Contingency. To date, \$9896 was moved from account 40-506-520 to account 40-506-625 Park Project Design to expense Freedom Park Passive Area design and construction documents which were approved by ABLC last year; \$64,862.33 was moved to account 40-506-705 Transfer to Debt Service for the first 2024 Bond payment; \$11,900 was approved by ABLC for Terracon boring samples for Freedom Park passive area; \$44,470 was approved by ABLC to complete City Downing Tennis Courts contribution and signage; and \$21,000 was approved for BG Peck Soccer Complex Lighting. The 40-506-520 Contingency account has a remaining total of \$109,167.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Angleton Better Living Corporation approve an expenditure for Angleton Recreation Center natatorium component materials in the amount of \$98,320.00.