



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 9/2/2025

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action on Capital Improvement Projects for FY 2025-2026.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: None

FUNDS REQUESTED: None

FUND: ABLC Contingency or Fund Balance

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In response to previous Board feedback, staff have collected additional information to present to the Angleton Better Living Corporation (ABLC) for input on which projects the Board would like staff to continue to pursue and potentially fund. This effort supports progress on Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) projects for the Parks, Recreation, Angleton Recreation Center, and ABLC divisions, as well as the proposed parkland dedication spending plan for FY 2024–2025 and future projects in alignment with the Parks & Recreation Master and Strategic Plan.

Staff are seeking ABLC's input on the following three potential priority projects:

- **Bates Park – Addition of a Sixth Softball Field**

Brought forward at ABLC's request during a previous meeting, this project would expand field capacity and support AGSA goal of hosting national tournaments starting in summer of 2026. Scope includes site preparation, irrigation, infield clay and turf installation, fencing, dugouts, backstop, bleachers, and sod.

- Paragon Sports Constructors provided an estimate of **\$473,683**.
- Texas Multi-Chem estimates field development ranging \$261,000–\$400,000, dugouts \$50,000–\$150,000, fencing \$30–\$85 per LF, and a backstop \$125,000–\$175,000. In total, field costs could range from **\$436,000 to \$725,000**

- **BG Peck Soccer Complex – Phase One Field Grading**

Identified in the original CIP update, this project includes hauling fill, grading, sprinkler relocation, ditch regrading, culvert installation and hydro mulching. HDR's Opinion of Probable Cost outlined is phases:

- Phase 1 - \$404,506

- Alternative 1 - \$324,527
- Alternative 2 - \$322,298
- Alternative 3 - \$269,335
- **Freedom Park – Playground Replacement**

Also included in the original CIP update, the Freedom Park playground (installed in 2009) has hit the end of its useful life. Numerous maintenance and safety concerns have been identified (see attached photos) For comparison, the new playground at Abigail Arias Park has an OPC range of \$327,000–\$396,000, plus an estimated \$88,000 for poured-in-place surfacing. Replacement at Freedom Park could fall within a similar range, depending on design, surfacing selections and removal of current playground structure.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend ABLC provide input on the prioritization of these three projects to help guide staff priorities and funding strategies for FY 2025–2026.