
MEETING DATE: 6/11/2026

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action on list of recommended park priority projects for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: NA **FUNDS REQUESTED:** NA

FUND: NA

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Previous discussions between staff and the Parks & Recreation Board, utilizing park assessment strategies and community recreation needs, helped identify and rank several park improvement projects for future consideration. Based on the Board's rankings, staff has prepared preliminary planning-level cost estimates for each project to assist the Board in evaluating priorities and providing recommendations for future capital improvement planning and budget development.

The Board's recommended projects and estimated costs are as follows:

1. Restriping Parking Lots at Multiple Parks – Estimated Cost: \$13,000

- Bates Park Main Parking Lot – \$2,000
- Bates Park Secondary Parking Lot – \$1,500
- Dickey Park – \$500
- BG Peck Park Lot A – \$3,000
- BG Peck Park Lot B – \$3,000
- Freedom Park – \$3,000

2. Replace Playground and Pavilion at Bates Park – Estimated Cost: \$300,000 to \$600,000

- Cost will vary based on playground size, design, and surfacing type, with poured-in-place surfacing being a significant cost factor.

3. **Covered Seating at Bates Park Softball Fields** – Estimated Cost: \$120,000 to \$195,000
 - Installation of covered spectator seating at four softball fields.
4. **Replace Wooden Pedestrian Bridge on Henderson Road**
 - Cost estimate under development.
5. **Shade Structures Near Playgrounds at Lakeside and BG Peck Parks** – Estimated Cost: \$40,000 to \$75,000
6. **Additional Parking at Bates Park** – Estimated Cost: \$250,000 to \$500,000
 - Expansion of parking capacity to accommodate tournaments and large events.
7. **Dog Play Elements and Shade Pavilion at Officer Cash Memorial Dog Park** – Estimated Cost: \$20,000 to \$30,000
8. **Upgrade Existing Pavilion or Construct Additional Pavilion at Masterson Park**
 - Cost estimate under development.
9. **Large Rentable Pavilion at Freedom Park**
 - Pavilion Only – \$300,000 to \$400,000
 - Pavilion with Restroom Facilities – \$600,000 to \$800,000
10. **Bridge and Trail Development within the Passive Area of Freedom Park** – Estimated Cost: \$350,000 to \$500,000
11. **Stage or Amphitheater at Veterans Park**
 - Cost estimate under development.

The purpose of this discussion is to review the Board's ranked priorities, evaluate anticipated project costs, and consider potential funding strategies and implementation timelines. Board feedback and recommendations will assist staff in identifying future capital improvement priorities and developing funding plans for park enhancements throughout the community.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board reviews the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 park project priorities and associated cost estimates and provide direction to staff regarding project rankings and funding priorities.