



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 6/15/2026

PREPARED BY: Jason O'Mara, Director of Parks & Recreation

AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action of Parks & Recreation Board Priority Projects for ABLC funding consideration.

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT: N/A **FUNDS REQUESTED:** N/A

FUND: N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In accordance with its responsibilities under the Parks & Recreation Board Bylaws, the Board annually reviews park and recreation needs and submits a prioritized list of recommendations to the Parks Director to assist with future planning and budget development. These recommendations are intended to support the goals and objectives identified within the Parks & Recreation Master Plan and other strategic planning efforts.

Over the past several months, staff and the Parks & Recreation Board reviewed park assessment information, operational needs, recreational amenities, and potential capital improvement projects throughout the park system. Based on those discussions, the Board developed and approved the following prioritized list of recommended park projects for future consideration:

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 Parks & Recreation Board's prioritized park improvement recommendations and associated planning-level cost estimates are being presented to the Angleton Better Living Corporation for consideration during the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget process. Staff is seeking funding support for projects identified by the Parks & Recreation Board to help advance the community's park and recreation priorities.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends ABLC review the Parks & Recreation Board's prioritized park improvement list and identify projects for potential funding during Fiscal Year 2026-2027.