



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 7/28/2026

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AGENDA CONTENT: Discussion and possible action regarding additional funding for 2024 ABLC Bond Projects

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Regular Agenda

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

FUND: N/A

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff is requesting discussion and possible action regarding additional funding for the Freedom Park Baseball Field Expansion Project, a project funded through the 2024 Angleton Better Living Corporation Bond Program.

During construction, drainage deficiencies were identified that extend beyond the original project scope. After initial recommendations from the project landscape architect, Burditt, a request was made to raise the entire playing field, enhancing backstop drainage, and improving the site's drainage swales. Based on that recommendation, the contractor submitted Change Proposal in the amount of \$302,538.03.

A subsequent revision to the proposal could reduce the estimated cost to \$238,819.43 due to Frost Construction, contingent upon the City coordinating and providing the delivery of fill material. At this time, staff cannot confirm the City's ability to coordinate the hauling and delivery of the required material without impacting other operations or finding an alternate vendor to source and haul the required dirt. As a result, staff is requesting funding authorization based on the original change proposal amount to ensure sufficient funding is available should the City be unable to provide those services.

Since the original recommendation, Burditt has requested additional engineering analysis to evaluate an alternative approach that would deepen the existing drainage swales and lower the associated drainage structures rather than raising the entire playing field. Burditt believes this option may provide a more cost-effective long-term solution and has initiated additional engineering review to determine its feasibility.

To avoid further delays to the project while the engineering evaluation is being completed, staff is requesting authorization for the remaining \$102,538.03 in 2024 ABLC Bond funding needed

to complete the project, if necessary. This authorization will allow staff to move forward expeditiously once the final engineering recommendation is received without requiring additional Board action, while ensuring the City can pursue the most appropriate and cost-effective solution.

The total project funding plan is anticipated to include:

- \$100,000 from interest earnings generated by the 2024 ABLC Bond proceeds;
- \$100,000 from City Parkland Dedication Funds; and
- Up to \$102,538.03 for ABLC Fund Balance

The current ABLC Fund Balance is approximately \$875,000.

If the final engineering recommendation or alternate options result in a lower overall project cost, only the amount necessary to complete the approved improvements will be expended. Staff believes authorizing the additional funding at this time provides the flexibility needed to keep the project moving forward, minimizes further construction delays, and ensures the selected solution adequately addresses the site's long-term drainage deficiencies while protecting the City's investment.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the ABLC Board authorize up to \$102,538.03 from the ABLC Fund Balance for the Freedom Park Baseball Field Expansion Project to address unforeseen drainage improvements identified during construction.