

Capitola City Council

Agenda Report



Meeting: January 25, 2024

From: City Manager Department

Subject: New Brighton Middle School Field Restoration Project

Recommended Action: Receive presentation regarding New Brighton Middle School Field Restoration Project.

Background: The Soquel Union Elementary School District (District), and New Brighton Middle School (NBMS) specifically, pride themselves in holistically supporting child development. Physical fitness and athletic competition opportunities constitute part of the “whole child” education mindset.

The Physical Education (PE) Team at NBMS is an award-winning team of teachers. The NBMS Athletic Director spearheads interscholastic opportunities in multiple competitive sports for NBMS students of all ages and genders. With all this in mind, the District seeks to continuously improve their facilities. In recent years, the gymnasium has been refurbished and they have added modern locker rooms for PE classes.

Discussion: The District’s next planned improvement aimed at physical fitness is to create a modern playing field at NBMS. The fields at NBMS were prioritized as all the District’s students eventually attend NBMS and the school supports interscholastic competitive sports programs.

The District has developed a conceptual design for a field renovation project, which includes a regulation sized all-weather soccer field and running track. The project is expected to involve the utilization of a few thousand square feet of the City’s Monterey Park. The City and the District are in discussions about how best to facilitate this partnership project, including potentially swapping portions of property.

At the City Council meeting, District staff will present information about the nuts and bolts of the field project, outline the input received on the project, and describe plans to share information and seek input moving forward.

Fiscal Impact: None, this item is informational only.

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Attachments:

1. New Brighton Middle School Field Restoration Project Overview

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