

Title: Condon and Scotten Sports Fields Improvement Project - Authorization to Bid

<u>**Recommendation**</u>: That Council 1) approve the findings that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and 2) authorize the advertisement for bids

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Council Meeting Date: 02/22/2022

Date Prepared: 02/17/2022

Agenda: Administrative

Background Information: On November 23, 2021, Council approved the Park Project and Refunding lease agreement, including \$6 million in financing to implement major parks improvements. As the first steps in enacting this vision of new and upgraded soccer and baseball field facilities, Staff is proposing the replacement of both the Condon and Scotten ball fields with artificial turf systems.

The Condon Park work would involve the complete replacement of the senior baseball field within the existing fence line, with artificial turf, along with associated drainage, concrete and fencing improvements. Work at Scotten School would occur as part of the long term agreement with the Grass Valley School District which allows the City to develop and operate the fields as a public space outside of school hours. Improvements would consist of replacement of the existing grass field with artificial turf, striped with lines for soccer fields of all sizes and lining for tee ball fields. Other new amenities would include a dedicated field access road and parking lot, concrete sidewalk and curbing, fencing and a new pre-fabricated restroom.

The improvements associated with this project are exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 "Existing Facilities" of the CEQA Guidelines.

Plans and specifications for the Condon and Scotten Sports Fields Improvement Project are being finalized by Engineering Division. At this time the total project cost is estimated at \$2,500,000. Staff requests that Council authorize the bidding process for construction of this project.

<u>Council Goals/Objectives</u>: Construction of the Condon and Scotten Sports Fields Improvement Project executes portions of work tasks towards achieving/maintaining Strategic Plan Goal - Recreation and Parks. **<u>Fiscal Impact</u>**: The work is fully funded with the use of available Park Project Improvements Financing

Funds Available: Yes

Account #: 300-406-64140

Reviewed by: ____ City Manager