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TO: Wade Bryson, Chair
Public Works and Facilities Committee

THROUGH: Denise Koch, Director Engineering and Public Works

FROM: John Bohan, Chief CIP Engineer

SUBJECT: Funds Transfer for Replacing Adair Kennedy Baseball Field Lights (P41-097 to P41-109)

Staff requests the transfer of \$110,000 from the Sportsfield Repairs CIP (P41-097) to the Adair Kennedy Lighting CIP (P41-109). This transfer will provide the additional funding needed to replace the outdated field lighting fixtures at Adair Kennedy Baseball Field. Over \$200,000 will remain in the Sportsfield Repair CIP after the transfer, which will be adequate to continue the FY24 repairs and maintenance to the sports fields.

The lighting components at Adair Kennedy Baseball Field are reaching 30 years old and in need of replacement and upgrading to current LED technology. In addition, the baseball field is being converted to an artificial turf field for both softball and baseball. During the end of the design phase of the artificial turf field project, it was pointed out that access to replace the light fixtures and ballasts will be difficult for heavy equipment after the new artificial turf field is installed, without damaging the turf field system – heavy equipment will not be allowed on the turf field. Access would be required from outside the field perimeter, which is constrained due to the close proximity of trees and the neighboring properties' sensitivity to removing the trees. Because of this important observation, the lighting replacement is scheduled to be a component of the turf field construction project, prior to the installation of the field turf system. Construction is scheduled for this summer.

The lighting replacement work is estimated at \$305,000. The lighting replacement at Adair Kennedy is being funded separately from the 2022 Voter approved Bond initiative for the Adair Kennedy turf field and track improvements because the lighting work was not included in the bond initiative scope of work. The remaining \$195,000 in funding is coming from the 2020 GO Bond projects for improving and maintaining existing P&R facilities, and the upgrade of the Melvin Park lighting system to LED is complete and came in under budget.

Replacing the lighting at Adair Kennedy Ballfield now is important:

- The existing lighting system is nearing 30 years old and becoming a maintenance problem
- The work can be done prior to constructing the turf field – making access easy prior to installing the turf system and not damaging the new artificial turf field system
- Upgrading to LEDs will save electricity and will save on maintenance

Action Requested

Staff requests the transfer of \$110,000 from the Sportsfield Repairs CIP (P41-097) to the Adair Kennedy Lighting CIP (P41-109) be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.