

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: August 5, 20205

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Melinda Moritz, Public Works Director

THROUGH: Dr. Crystal Caldera, City Manager

SUBJECT: Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action to Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Staff to Apply to the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife for a Local Park Grant Program to Provide Funding for the Renovation of the Forest Oaks Community Pool Facility

SPONSOR(S): None

PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

The Forest Oaks Community Pool facility was originally constructed in 1965 and was operated by the Forest Oaks Community Association until it was donated to the City in 2017. Following the donation, an inspection revealed that nearly all mechanical systems, including electrical, HVAC, water heater, and plumbing, were either in disrepair or obsolete. Additional issues identified included the need for replastering the pool, replacing pool plumbing and drains, and performing pool bonding. Furthermore, the entire facility, including the building and patio areas, is not compliant with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) standards.

The City Council has held multiple discussions regarding the potential rehabilitation of the facility and reviewed several design concepts. Concept D was determined to be the most viable option (see attached), with an estimated cost of \$1.6 million. While no final decision has been made to proceed, funding options considered include bond issuance and/or grant funding.

City staff identified a grant opportunity through the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife, which would cover approximately 50% of the project cost. To apply for the grant, the City must submit a formal Resolution in support of the funding.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total estimated cost of rehabilitating the facility under Concept D is \$1,600,000. The grant offers a 50/50 funding match, leaving the City's share at approximately \$800,000. Potential funding sources include the General Fund Reserve or bond financing.

RECOMMENDATION

The decision is at the discretion of the City Council. Council has budgeted \$75,000 in FY 26 to replaster the pool.

APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

ATTEST:

SAUNDRA PASSAILAIGUE, TRMC
City Secretary