



**PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL COMMISSION
AGENDA REPORT**

Meeting Date: November 21, 2023

Subject: Magical Bridge Playground Discussion

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Initiated by: Staff

Attachment(s): None

Staff Recommendation

Provide input on the feasibility of a Magical Bridge Accessible Playground in a Los Altos park.

Environmental Review:

Not applicable

Summary/Project Description:

Founded in Palo Alto, Magical Bridge Foundation designs and builds innovative and inclusive playgrounds that improve the physical, social, emotional, and mental health of everyone in a community, regardless of age or ability. Universally designed to be socially inclusive and physically accessible, Magical Bridge Playgrounds are outdoor play spaces for all, including the 1-in-4 around the world living with physical and cognitive disabilities, autism, visual and hearing impairments, and those who are aging or medically fragile. Since opening the first playground in 2015, there are now 6 playgrounds open to the public in the San Francisco Bay Area with 11 more in development around the world.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Discussion/Analysis

The Magical Bridge Foundation has reached out to the City with an interest in getting an accessible playground installed in a Los Altos Park. The Commission should discuss the possibility of this and potential locations within the city.