



Memorandum

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Kay Okey, Parks & Recreation Director
Date: 2-16-22
Subject: **Consider Entering into a Contract with Wendell Companies**

Action To be Considered: Staff recommends the Council approve entering into a contract with Wendell Companies to authorize the firm to prepare renovation design plans and rough cost estimates for remodeling of the Able Park Building.

In order to get a more detailed cost, the architects would be hired to complete two design options, prepare a sketch of a floor plan of the preferred option and prepare a rough cost estimate, which would prepare the City of Spring Lake Park to proceed with bids should the City Council make that determination.

Background: One of the Park and Recreation Department's Strategic Initiatives was to develop a comprehensive park concept plan for the community to guide future changes and improvements. The Master Park Plan was completed in 2022 and the assessment of Able Park indicates that the park is adequate, meets basic service level, however is in the mid to older age range. None of the park building amenities are ADA compliant. The Recreation Department has needs for additional programming space to allow for more versatile programs.

The Parks and Recreation Commission, during their October meeting, recommended that Able Park be the top priority for upgrades due to its central location, and is a more highly utilized park for programs.

Financial Impact: The projected cost for preparing the plan and specifications is \$6,200. This cost would be funded using the Parks Improvement Fund, which is not a taxpayer funded account.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Proposal from Wendell Companies
2. Proposal from HCM Architects

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Okey

Director of Parks and Recreation