



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING SHEET

Council Date: August 13, 2024	Department: Planning & Development	Presented By: Toni Fisher, Director
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AGENDA ITEM:

Discussion/Action: Kings Gate Park Concept Plans and Memorial Park consideration for relocation.

BACKGROUND:

Upon the approval of City Council, Staff met with Dorothy Witmeyer and Glenda Arroyo of Westwood Professional Services, Inc. to review their first and second concept plan renderings for potential programming of Kings Gate Park, all of which was presented to the Parks Board for discussion at their quarterly meeting on August 6, 2024.

The creation of these concepts considered the 2019 Parks & Trails Master Plan and its community feedback, and the park's current uses, demographics, and topography for the near 30-acre park. For more current results, Westwood suggests that a new community survey be conducted before adopting any design as growth and demographics changes can affect interests for park amenities. This process would likely involve two town hall meetings, one to request what to ask, and a second to disclose the results.

The estimated cost for all improvements is totaled at **\$7,813,950**, and separated into three Areas (phases), ranging from what is perceived to be most urgent and easiest to accomplish as Area 1, and progressing to more complex elements in Areas 2 and 3.

During initial City Hall parking lot discussions with Westwood, adding parkland to the City Hall site was discussed and Staff agreed that the future of the Memorial Park at 516 Ranch House Rd. needed to be decided. While brainstorming, it was suggested that the park be moved to the site of City Hall. Albeit a separate project, the conceptual plan for the City Hall parking lot shows a space in the southwest corner for "Future Development – Memorial Park". While requesting the cost estimate for Kings Gate Park, Staff also asked Ms. Witmeyer to provide an estimate for the addition of [Veterans Park] to the City Hall property. A conceptual design has not yet been requested, but a cost estimate for basic elements expected for such a project is **\$610,000** with a 30% contingency.

STAFF & BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

N/A.

EXHIBITS:

- Kings Gate Park Concept Designs by Westwood Professional Services, Inc.
- Engineer's Preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost for City Hall Parking Lot
- Willow Park City Hall's Parking Lot Schematic Design by Westwood Professional Services, Inc.
- Engineer's Preliminary Opinion of Probable Construction Cost for Memorial Park/Plaza