



BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

October 26, 2022
5:00 PM
MINUTES

Attendees: Commissioner Pointer, Commissioner Reid

Staff Support: **Marty Stump**, Deputy Director - Planning and Development; **Kristi Evans**, Capital Program Manager, Community & Neighborhood Parks; **Roger Stanton**, Capital Program Manager, Regional Parks and ZEED; **Joe Brady**, Deputy Director - Regional Parks and Attractions; **Mary Kay Henley**, Planning Administration

Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes from the September 28, 2022, meeting were approved as written.

Discussion Item

- Commissioners asked if the Stanford & Reed project has gone out for bid. Kristi report no, it will be issued by Tacoma Public Schools in the next couple week.

Action Items

Melanie Dressel Park Improvements - Contract Award to Pease Construction Inc.

- This resolution authorizes the contract award to Pease Construction Inc. for the construction of Melanie Dressel Park Improvements in the amount not to exceed \$3,706,080.
- Kristi reported we received 6 bids for the project, 5 responsive. Pease Construction came in as the lowest bid that included the 3 alternatives. Improvements will include play tower and bridge, log jam play structure, hillside slide, comfort station/Pavilion, Foss esplanade and lighting, plaza space, picnic tables and benches, new park ID sign, interpretive signage, ADA parking stall, irrigation, landscaping, and art. She added that the Puyallup Tribe will help with the 3 interpretive signs and concrete stamping for the artwork.
- She added we have previously worked with Pease Construction on the W.W. Seymour Conservatory project and currently at Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium.
- This will be a 12-month project and is the result of a huge fundraising campaign. The majority of these donations are coming from the City of Tacoma, Pierce County, Foss Waterway Development Association, Commerce Grant and various Metro Park's 14 UTGO Bond funds.
- Commissioner Reid questioned the listing of the 1% art in the budget section, asking if it should be listed under expenditures. Kristi explained that the 1% art is staying within this

project. She will confirm that it is being reported correctly and update the resolution if needed.

- Commissioner Pointer asked who will use this park - only the people living in the apartments along the waterway. Kristi reported it hopefully will attract a wider group of the people. Marty noted it's proximity to the Prairie Line Trail, the waterfront and community attractions will help attract additional members of the community and visitors to Tacoma.
- Marty explained the accept and appropriation section of the resolution refers to mid-year budget adjustment that moves any surplus operating funds into the capital budget.
- Commissioner Reid questioned the budget item showing funds being pulled from the Waterfront/Titlow projects. Marty explained this is simply an internal fund borrowing to get this project underway. Funds would be reinfused back into the projects at a later date as they are identified. Commissioner Reid said it would be beneficial for staff to document how and when those funds would return the project that they were originally assigned.
- This item was accepted for moving forward to the full Board with a recommendation of approval.

Meadow Park Golf Course Strategic Design - Contract Award to iCon Golf Studio

- This resolution authorizes contract award for the Meadow Park Golf Course Strategic Design contract to iCon Golf Studio in the amount of \$80,000.
- Roger provided some project background. He explained that there was a need to work with a multi-disciplinary team led by a golf architect to conceptually explore a complete Meadow Park facility update that will enhance the existing strengths of the facility as an affordable, playable and community orientated golf complex for all ages and abilities. Staff are recommending that Icon Golf Studio, with the assistance of a project steering committee, be selected to create a Strategic Design that will renovate, remodel, and reimagine the golf course.
- Roger reported we received an overwhelming response to the RFQ that went out. Of the 9 submittals, 5 were interviewed. Roger reported that the interviews were very exciting and featured interesting conversation and ideas. At the conclusion, everyone agreed Icon Golf Studio was the best candidate for this project, noting it's broad expertise in this field, especially for public golf courses.
- The project is being funding by Meadow Park Golf Course's operational budget. Staff are excited to get this project moving forward.
- Commissions Reid asked if we should include the scoring results in the Board presentation. It was decided that Roger would list the completing firms in the Board memorandum.
- Commissioner Pointer asked if this was a local firm. Roger reported it is an international firm, top-notch in its field.
- Joe Brady added they delivered a great product on a similar project in Denver.
- Commissioner Reid asked if this project would interrupt play and revenue at the course. He added that we are not in the situation of supplementing the golf course. Marty reported it's not expected. He added that any impact to the course's business plan will be vetted and part of the decision process.

Meeting Adjourned