

- TO: Chair and Members of the Parks and Recreation Commission
- FROM: JoAnne Plummer, Neighborhood Services Director
- **SUBJECT:** Parks and Recreation Division Project and Program Updates

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the Parks and Recreation Division Report on progress for current Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement Projects and associated programs.

DISCUSSION:

The Department of Neighborhood Services is responsible for a variety of park-related Capital Improvement Projects and specialty programs related to parks and recreation.

PROJECT UPDATES:

CIP 9074 – STOW GROVE PARK MASTER PLAN

On the direction of the Goleta City Council, the Stow Grove Park Project team organized a community workshop on Saturday, December 14, 2024 at the La Patera Elementary School's Multipurpose Room. The main discussion points of this workshop were to offer the workshop attendees an opportunity to review and provide feedback on the play equipment for Goleta's first universal playground and to discuss the relocation of the new family restroom which was included in the conceptual design of the Master Plan. The workshop had a good turnout, with community members providing feedback to the project team.

<u>CIP 9111 – SPLASH PAD AND IMPROVEMENTS AT JONNY D. WALLIS</u> <u>NEIGHBORHOOD PARK</u>

The construction fencing at Jonny D. Wallis Neighborhood Park has been removed, with a new fence surrounding the splash pad area only. This allows the public to regain access to the recreation amenities in the construction zone while the team continues to troubleshoot a failed pump, which has been delaying project acceptance. A new pump has been ordered and the team is awaiting a date for the final installation and confirmation that the system is in working order.

CIP 9113 – MATHILDA PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The Neighborhood Services Department has been working in coordination with the Public Works Department to expedite the completion of this project. In December 2024, the project team advertised the project for construction bids via PlanetBids, with the bid closing on Monday, December 30, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. The project team has reviewed the two submitted proposals and will go to Council to award the construction contract to the most qualified and responsive bidder. Please visit the <u>Mathilda Park Improvements</u> page for more information.

Approved By:

JoAnne Plummer, Neighborhood Services Director