

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR STATEWIDE PARK DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution

COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS

FY 2019-21 Council Priority Workplan Compliance Statement

Build a Healthy Community (100.11 Develop Public Facilities for Active Living (Parks, Open Space, Sidewalks, Trails, Bike Lanes, etc.)) is an adopted policy item under the FY 2019-21 Council Priority Workplan, effective March 1, 2019.

CEQA Compliance Statement

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3), the adoption of the subject resolution authorizing Public Works to submit a grant application is exempt from CEQA requirements. The redevelopment of the park will require completion of CEQA documentation within three months of application submittal; this will be completed as part of the proposed project.

BACKGROUND

The California Proposition 68 (Prop 68), Parks, Environment and Water Bond (June 2018) authorized the Statewide Park Program (SPP) to provide up to \$254 million in funds for new park and park revitalization projects in 2019 (Round 1). The City of San Pablo's proposed submission for this funding is to revitalize and expand the park at 2600 Moraga Road, currently known as the El Portal Soccer Fields.

The park at 2600 Moraga Road does not currently meet the community's needs for park infrastructure. This facility lacks bathrooms, adequate parking, shade structures and other basic amenities; the park is little more than a grass field. City staff have held multiple public meetings, developed an online survey and attended scheduled meetings at the Senior Center and Youth Commission to gain input from the community regarding the desired features for the potentially revitalized park. From this outreach, staff are proposing a grant application that funds the following features at a revitalized park at 2600 Moraga Road:

- an adult sized soccer field;
- an amphitheater;
- a playground area; and
- basic park amenities such as bathrooms, tables, BBQ area, lighting and more.

To improve this community resource, staff are requesting approval to apply for up to \$8.5 million in Prop 68 grant funding from the State Department of Parks and Recreations through their Statewide Park Program. The project team has named this grant application the San Pablo Area for Recreation and Community (SPARC) Project. Grant applications are due by August 5, 2019. It is anticipated that these grant funds for projects will be awarded in December of 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT

Staff seeks City Council authorization to apply for a Proposition 68 grant from the State Department of Parks and Recreations through their Statewide Park Program. If awarded, it is anticipated that the City will receive up to \$8.5 million-dollars in funding, which will increase revenues in the FY 2020/21 General Fund budget year. If the project proposal is successful staff will return to Council to accept and appropriate all grant and required matching funds.

As with any capital improvement project, there is an associated ongoing maintenance cost. For this project, the estimated maintenance cost will be determined once the preliminary design is complete.