



**DATE:** December 8, 2020

**CATEGORY:** Consent

**DEPT.:** Community Services

**TITLE:** **Authorize a Funding Agreement with El Camino Health for a Cuesta Park Fitness Court**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. Create a midyear Capital Improvement Project entitled Cuesta Park Fitness Court.
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute a funding agreement with El Camino Health for \$150,000 toward the design and construction of the Cuesta Park Fitness Court.
3. Appropriate and transfer \$201,500 from the Park Land Dedication Fund and appropriate \$150,000 to be received from El Camino Health to the new project. (Five votes required)

### **BACKGROUND**

A fitness court was installed in Rengstorff Park in early 2010 and has been extremely popular. The facility includes cardio, stationary, and recumbent equipment, which is typical for such installations. In 2018, staff began engaging with National Fitness Campaign (NFC), a consulting firm that partners with cities, schools, corporations, and design firms to fund and build outdoor fitness courts, regarding a grant program they offer to install preconfigured fitness courts. Cuesta Park was identified as having an appropriate location that would not negatively impact other features of the park and that could meet the dimensions of the NFC design parameters. NFC developed a design for a fitness court that is used as the basis for the projects in which they are involved.

Considering its proximity to Cuesta Park and health-related mission, staff contacted El Camino Health (ECH) to gauge interest in partnering with the City on the project. After discussing the exact location, approval timelines, and other details, ECH staff agreed conceptually to participate.

Staff submitted an application with NFC and was notified the City would be eligible for a \$30,000 grant in spring 2019. The restrictions associated with the grant include an

aggressive time frame to complete the project and the requirement to use NFC's design and equipment, which includes plyometric exercise apparatus in a fixed layout.

An Unscheduled Project was included in the 2019-20 through 2023-24 Capital Improvement Program as a placeholder pending further progress on developing the project.

## **ANALYSIS**

After careful review of alternatives to NFC's proposed project and consultation with ECH representatives, staff concluded that the project would be less costly and more successful without the NFC grant and participation. With more flexibility to select equipment, the design can be better tailored to the site and a greater variety of equipment is available.

### **Design Concept and Estimated Cost**

In late summer 2019, staff began discussions with outdoor fitness equipment manufacturers about design concepts and developed several alternatives in consultation with ECH staff. The alternatives were refined to one preliminary concept utilizing Greenfields Outdoor Fitness Equipment, as shown in Figure 1 through Figure 4. The concept is for a fitness court located on the southerly end of Cuesta Park near the ECH North Drive parking lot, occupying approximately 2,000 square feet that is currently covered in turf. The concept includes 10 pieces of equipment that could accommodate up to a maximum of 38 people at a time. To comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, approximately 4,700 square feet of pathway would be replaced, and upgrades would be made to the Cuesta Park parking lot curb ramps.

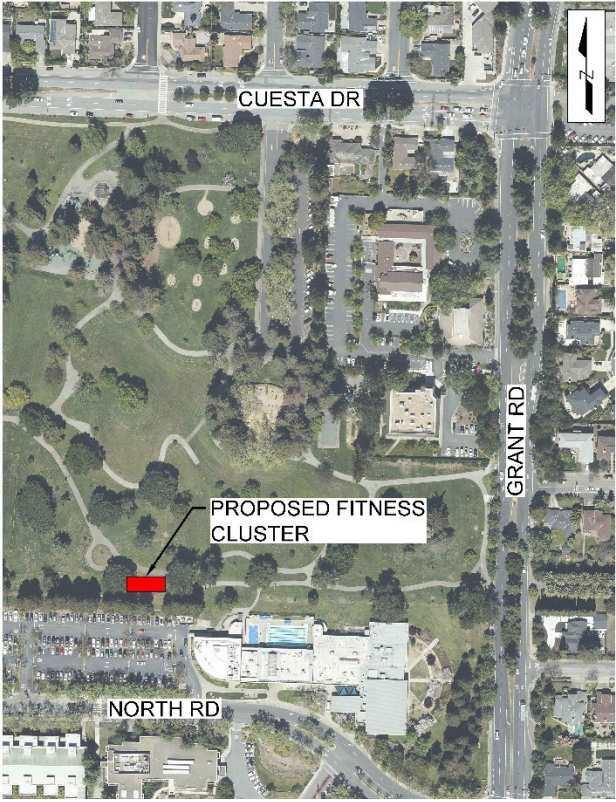


Figure 1: Location Map



Figure 2: Concept Rendering Looking Southeast



Figure 3: Concept Rendering Looking Southwest

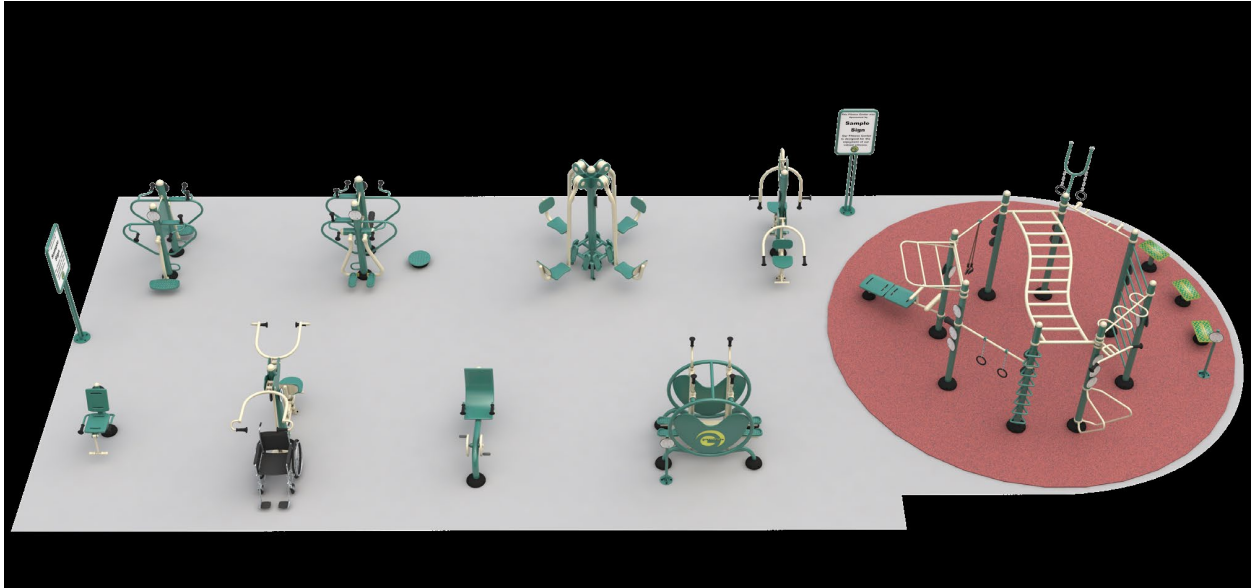


Figure 4: Equipment Layout

The estimated project cost is as follows:

Construction	\$260,000
Construction/Project Contingency	<u>30,000</u>
Subtotal Construction (with contingencies)	\$290,000
Project Management	15,000
Inspection	20,000
Miscellaneous	5,000
City Administration (6.5 percent)	<u>21,500</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$351,500</u>

### **El Camino Hospital Funding Agreement**

The recommended agreement with ECH documents the roles and responsibilities of each partner. Major points of the agreement include:

The City shall:

- Manage design and construction of the fitness cluster; and
- Own and maintain the fitness cluster.

ECH shall:

- Pay the City a one-time payment of \$150,000 towards design and construction of the project; and
- Reimburse the City for one-half of the cost of rehabilitation, repair, or replacement of any part of the fitness structure that exceeds \$1,000 (minor repair costs will be borne by the City).

ECH authorizes the use of its name and logo to be included on signs installed by City at the fitness cluster, and the City may remove or modify such signs upon the termination or expiration of this agreement. The term of the agreement runs through December 31, 2050 but may be extended with the consent of both parties.

ECH will enjoy no special rights for use of the equipment.

ECH staff is scheduled to seek approval of this project later this winter. This approval is required before ECH can execute the funding agreement.

### **Parks and Recreation Commission Recommendation**

On December 11, 2019, the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) recommended that the City Council move the Cuesta Park Fitness Court Installation from the Unscheduled List of Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) to an Active CIP and to commit \$201,500 from the Park Land Dedication Fund (Park Land Dedication Fees from Fiscal Years 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20, Investment Earnings from Fiscal Years 2017-18 and 2018-19).

The actions recommended by staff in this report would implement the PRC's recommendation.

### **Schedule**

If Council approves the recommended actions, the anticipated project schedule next steps include:

- Execute ECH agreement and receive funding from ECH – February 2021.
- Complete design and bid project – March 2021.
- Construction – Summer 2021.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The recommended funding for the Cuesta Park Fitness Courts includes \$150,000 from ECH and \$201,500 from the Park Land Dedication Fund for a total of \$351,500.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

1. Decline to approve the ECH funding agreement and replace the funding with another source.
2. Defer the project.
3. Provide other direction.

**PUBLIC NOTICING**

Agenda posting and a copy to Jon Cowan, Director, Government and Community Relations, El Camino Health.

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