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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Sabrina B. Landreth
City Administrator

FROM: J. Nicholas Williams
Director

SUBJECT: Lafayette Square Park Tot Lot
Gift-in-Place

DATE: March 18, 2019

City Administrator Approval

Date:

3/27/19

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept A Gift Of In-Kind Services From The Oakland Parks And Recreation Foundation For The Lafayette Square Park Tot Lot Renovation Valued In An Amount Not To Exceed Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) And Authorize The City Administrator To Execute A Construction Contract For One Dollar (\$1.00) With A Construction Firm To Be Determined To Perform The Services And Authorize The Work On City Property.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation (OPRF) has received a grant from the Sunlight Giving Foundation for tot lot refurbishments and improvements at Lafayette Square Park located at 635 11th Street.

The project involves up to \$60,000 of in-kind services to remove and replace the playground's play structure and install a new resilient play surface. The project will coincide with and support volunteer efforts underway by the Old Oakland Neighbors Association at Lafayette Square Park to beautify, brighten and improve the tot lot and surrounding area.

BACKGROUND/LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The Lafayette Square Park tot lot is located in the Old Oakland neighborhood and is bounded by 10th and 11th street as well as Jefferson Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Way. The tot lot has been heavily used and is in desperate need of refurbishment, but is not currently funded on the City's existing capital improvement program list. The Old Oakland Neighbors Association has worked diligently to revitalize the Lafayette Square Park tot lot for the past 18 months and has developed a project plan based on insights from that work. The project has three primary

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objectives: 1) To create a safe space for children to play; 2) To reduce maintenance requirements; and, 3) To brighten the space and invite greater usage of the tot lot.

The OPRF mission is to support parks and recreation programs for everyone in Oakland. In late 2017 OPRF was awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Sunlight Giving Foundation, a Silicon Valley based organization dedicated to improving the lives of children aged 0-5 years old, throughout the Bay Area. The grant award was designated for tot lot refurbishments and improvements at Lafayette Square Park and Lincoln Square Park as well as other renovations and programmatic contributions. The work at Lincoln Square Park was valued under \$50,000, and the City Administrator accepted the gift pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code section 2.04.160 on August 14, 2018. Work on the Lincoln Square tot lot was completed in February, 2019.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

The tot lot at Lafayette Square Park has not been refurbished since installation in 1999 and its poor condition discourages use by neighbors. Replacement of the equipment and play surface will vastly improve the quality of life of neighboring families and extend the useful life of the tot lot.

The work to the park is proposed to be completed by Ross Recreation Equipment Company, Inc. (Ross) and will consist of:

- Temporarily fencing the area for the duration of construction along with security during the cure time for the new play surface
- Removal of existing play equipment and play surface
- Installation of a new resilient play surface
- Installation of a PlayShaper Design play structure geared to youth aged 0-5 years old, see **Attachment A**.

Staff wishes to leverage public and private resources wherever feasible to improve city parks and neighborhoods. Ross has extended a discount on the construction of the new play equipment and surface. Ross' most recent major project for the City was the restoration of the Dragon Boat at Lincoln Square Park.

FISCAL IMPACT

This project has no negative impact to the City and completes work that was previously identified as a community desired project. The City will execute a one dollar (\$1.00) gift-in-place construction contract with the selected vendor to perform the work. The vendor shall provide insurance and bonds as required by law, and the contract shall be approved for form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney. Through the gift-in-place construction contract, the OPRF shall assume all responsibility in regards to compensation to the selected vendor for the work performed to complete the Lafayette Square Park tot lot renovation project.

PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST

The Old Oakland Neighbors Association identified the Lafayette Square Park as a priority project for the community. The tot lot improvement will contribute to increased healthy recreational opportunities for the local community.

COORDINATION

The project has been coordinated with Councilmember McElhane, the Oakland Public Works Department, and the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation. This report has been reviewed and approved by the Budget Bureau.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: The project will add community and personal value to one of the City's most vulnerable communities. As analyzed and recorded in the 2001 Journal of Leisure Research Vol. 33, citing a ten percent to 20 percent increase in property values within a two to three block radius of well-maintained parks and open space.

Environmental: The project requires the contractor to recycle and re-use construction materials to the extent practical and comply with City standards.

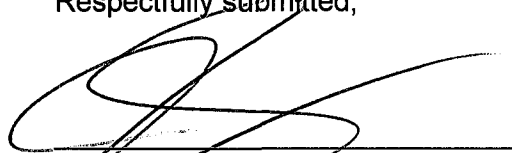
Social Equity: The facility is one of the few tot lots serving the Downtown Oakland community. The project will improve healthy outdoor recreational opportunities and quality of life for the local community.

ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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For questions regarding this report, please contact Dana Riley, Assistant Director at (510) 238-6495.

Respectfully submitted,



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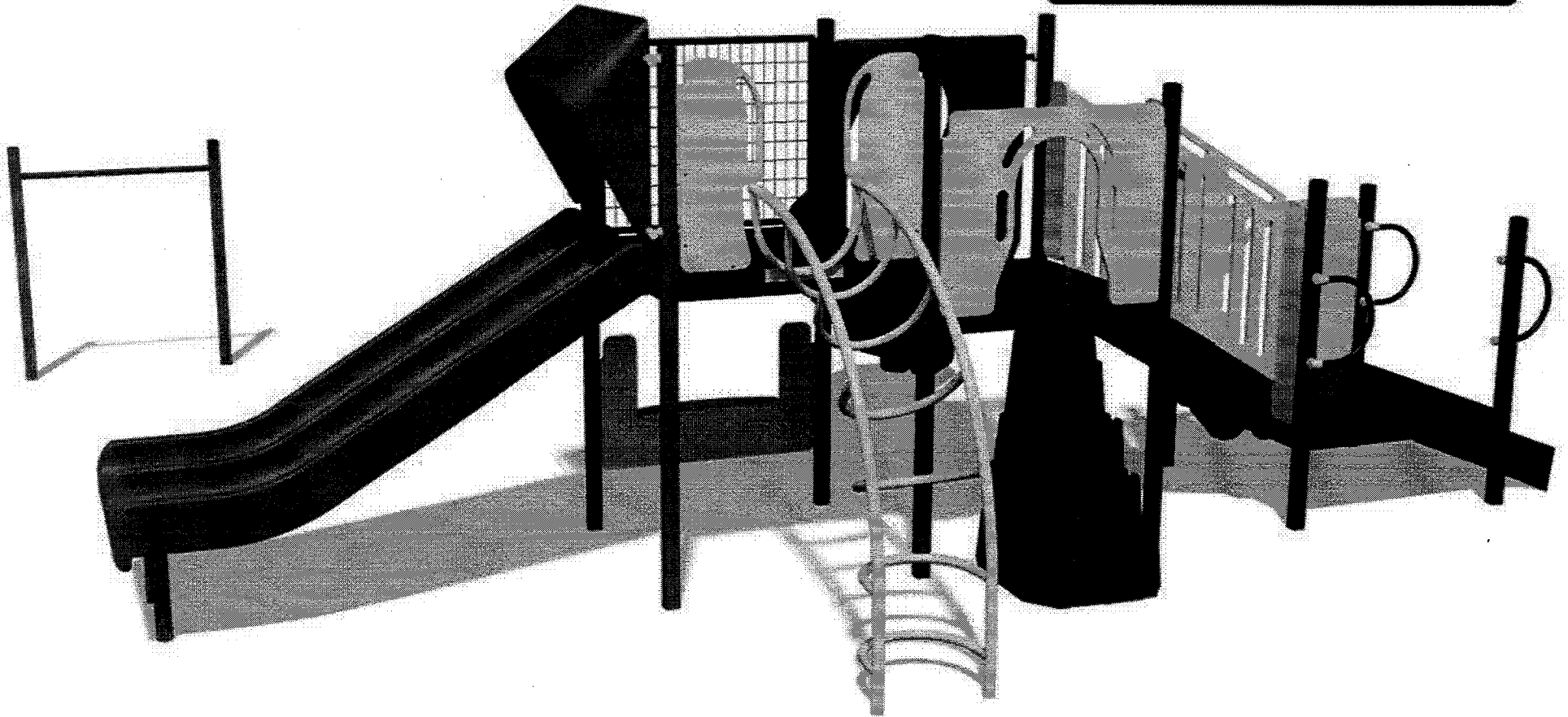
Attachments (1):

A: Tot Lot Equipment Design

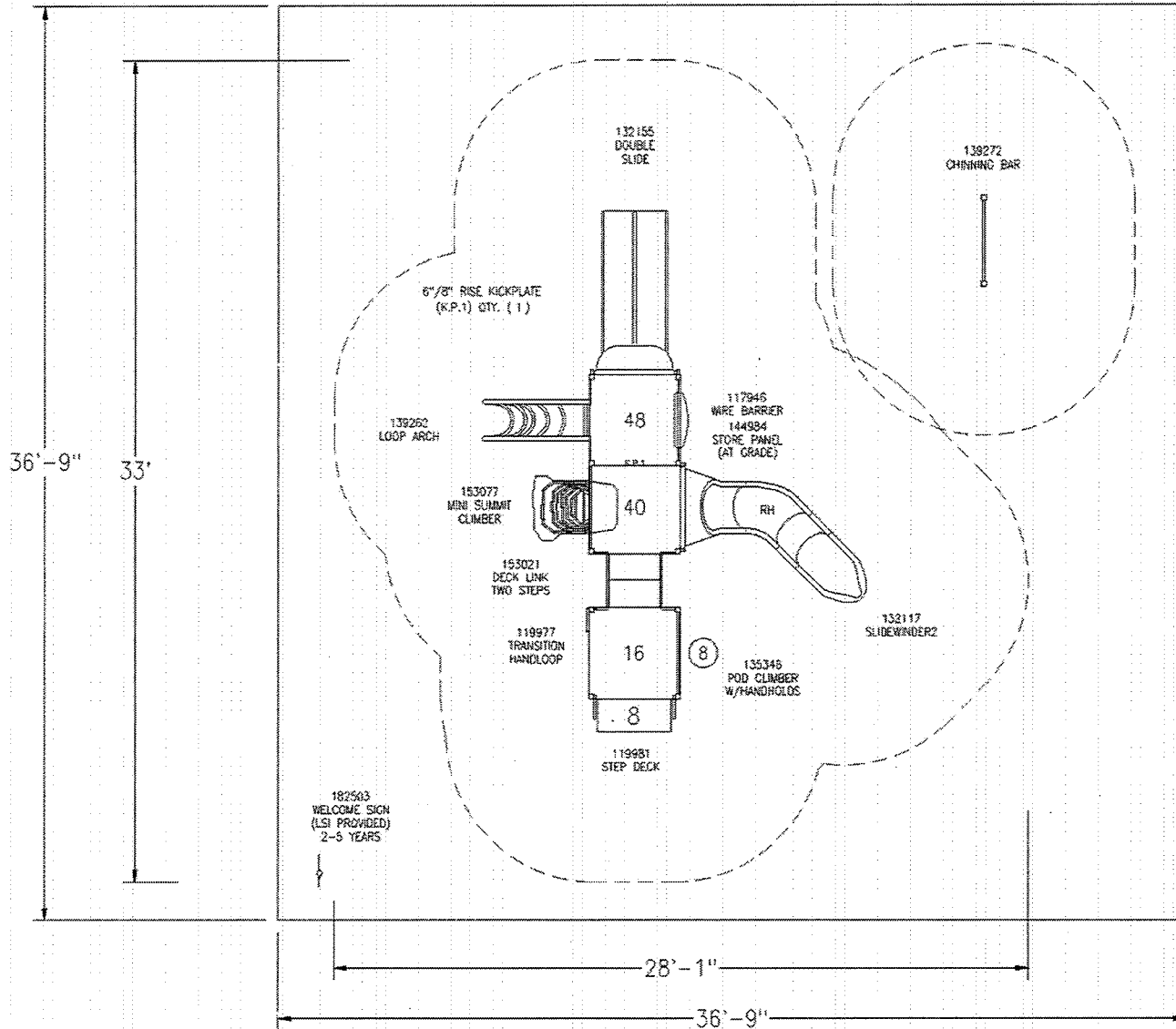
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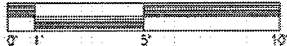


PlayShaper®
(2-5 years)

Max Fall Height: 48 inches

TOTAL ELEVATED PLAY COMPONENTS	5		
TOTAL ELEVATED COMPONENTS ACCESSIBLE BY RAMP	0	REQUIRED	0
TOTAL ELEVATED COMPONENTS ACCESSIBLE BY TRANSFER	5	REQUIRED	3
TOTAL ACCESSIBLE GROUND LEVEL COMPONENTS SHOWN	2	REQUIRED	2
TOTAL DIFFERENT TYPES OF GROUND LEVEL COMPONENTS	2	REQUIRED	2

SCALE: IN FEET



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Ross Recreation
Equipment Company
Alex Hailey

SYSTEM TYPE:
PlayShaper

DRAWING #:
1125270-01-03

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT A GIFT OF IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE OAKLAND PARKS AND RECREATION FOUNDATION FOR THE LAFAYETTE SQUARE PARK TOT LOT RENOVATION VALUED IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$60,000) AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) WITH A CONSTRUCTION FIRM TO BE DETERMINED TO PERFORM THE SERVICES AND AUTHORIZE THE WORK ON CITY PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit with the mission to provide financial and volunteer resources, and advocacy for recreation programs and parks in Oakland; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Parks and Recreation supports the City of Oakland's Parks, Recreation and Youth Development and Public Works departments by helping to fund projects that provide the public with safe, clean and well-maintained parks and recreation centers; and

WHEREAS, Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation is working in collaboration with the City of Oakland to raise funds and provide in-kind services for the renovation of the tot lot at Lafayette Square Park at no cost to the City of Oakland with an anticipated project completion of June, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project involves up to sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) of in-kind services to remove and replace the playground's play structure and install a new resilient play surface; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator will execute a one dollar (\$1.00) contract with a licensed construction company selected by Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation, and the company shall provide insurance and bonds as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Square Park tot lot renovation is priority for the community; and

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Square Park tot lot renovation project does not create unbudgeted costs for the city; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator to accept a gift of in-kind services valued at sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from the Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation to perform the services for the Lafayette Square Park tot lot renovation project; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council authorizes the City Administrator to execute a contract in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00) with a construction firm to be determined by Oakland Parks and Recreation Foundation to perform the services and authorize the work on City property; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney's Office shall review and approve the proposed agreements as to form and legality and copies shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES – FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO, and PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California