

# BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## Regular Meeting Highlights August 20, 2019



### **ACKERMAN PARK PAYOUT REQUEST #2**

Director Harris presented payout request #2 for Ackerman Park Phase IV improvement project- Construction Management Services in the amount of \$851,607.85 stating that this is the second payout request from Wight Construction, who is overseeing construction for Ackerman Park improvements. Wight's services include bidding services, quality control, project scheduling, purchasing oversight, identifying cost savings (value engineering), provides checks and balances between owner and architect, and acts as an extension of Park District staff. Harris provided details of what has been completed; continued grading and earthwork, demolition, irrigation and concrete curbing around exterior of turf field. It also includes a change order of \$139,900 for installation of the paths within Upper Ackerman Park, stating that this element was identified in the Ackerman Park 2014 master plan, was a significant component of the 2018 OSLAD grant application which was awarded in 2019 and will be used for reimbursement to the District for the Upper Ackerman Park paths and outdoor fitness equipment. Following a brief discussion of the project the Park Board of Commissioners approved Wight Construction's payout request #2 for the Ackerman Park Phase IV Improvements - Construction Management Services in the amount of \$851,607.85.

### **OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT PURCHASE**

Director Harris discussed the OSLAD grant that was awarded in early 2019 for improvements to Ackerman Park. The OSLAD related elements included walking/running paths within the Upper Ackerman area and outdoor fitness equipment to be located just west of the Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center main parking lot. Harris reviewed that the additional Ackerman Park OSLAD items were not included within the 2019 annual budget as the outcome of the grant submittal was unknown at the time of approval in December 2018. However, these are elements that the District will be reimbursed for through the OSLAD grant.

Harris said staff researched various equipment suppliers, toured various sites and engaged relevant staff and patrons and then discussed staff's suggestion of purchasing the Kompan outdoor fitness equipment.

The Park Board of Commissioners had a brief discussion of the equipment including the use and timeline of installation and following approved the purchase of the Kompan Outdoor fitness equipment for Ackerman Park in the amount of \$47,784.80.

### **ADDITIONAL ACKERMAN PARK ELEMENTS BASED ON STATE CAPITAL FUNDING (PROPOSED)**

Harris reviewed the timeline of the improvements to Ackerman Park over last year and outline for the upcoming improvements through 2020 (Phase IV). Funding mechanisms were discussed and Harris also reviewed the priorities that have been recommended and supported.

Harris reviewed the funds that the Glen Ellyn Park District was recently awarded from the State of Illinois through an approved State Capital Bill in June 2019 stating that the total funds awarded to the District was \$991,000 which included \$420,690 for Ackerman Park. As the Ackerman Park Phase IV improvement project is ongoing, staff met both internally and with the Park planning committee to identify potential use of the funds aligned with Ackerman Park. After much discussion, it was agreed that the priority should continue to

be improved playability and staff recommended taking advantage of the timing during construction to capture a more cost effective and efficient plan for several of these elements.

Harris reviewed the proposed improvements including improving the drainage of the four (4) Hub softball fields which includes a slight decline of the subbase from Homeplate to just beyond the infield/outfield edge, installation of a perforated drain along the infield/outfield edge, reduction of the infields by an average of 15 feet, addition of irrigation coverage in that area and replacement of the infield mix.

The Park Board had a brief discussion of the additional items proposed to be implemented at this time as a change order and will be funded through the State Capital Bill and approved the change order for the Ackerman Park Phase IV Improvement Project not to exceed \$200,000 for further upgrades to the overall drainage and playability of the four (4) Hub softball fields in anticipation and confidence that the State of Illinois will fulfill its recent award of funds to the Glen Ellyn Park District through the State Capital Bill.