

Attachment A: Summary, Depot Park Enhancements



Overview of Facility and Amenities:

Depot Park, located at 270 First Street West in central Sonoma, spans 3 acres and serves as a key recreational hub for the community. The park features amenities such as bocce ball and pétanque courts, a playground, picnic areas, special event spaces, cyclist and pedestrian facilities, a museum, restroom facilities, and more. It is connected to the Sonoma Bike Path, enhancing its accessibility and connectivity.

Project Description and Potential Scope:

The proposed Depot Park Enhancements project aims to elevate the park's usability and appeal by installing an exercise station. This addition will cater to the active lifestyle prevalent in the area, providing residents and visitors with an opportunity for outdoor fitness activities.

Identification in Needs Assessment Process:

The priorities for the Depot Park Enhancements project were identified through a comprehensive Needs Assessment process conducted by the City. This assessment highlighted the rehabilitation of the volleyball court and the installation of an exercise station as priorities to enhance recreational opportunities within the park. Public Works, in collaboration with volunteers from the Rotary Club of Sonoma Valley, has already initiated rehabilitation efforts for the volleyball court. However, Measure M funds would further support these efforts by enabling the addition of outdoor exercise equipment or stations.

Estimated Measure M Fund Allocation:

The estimated Measure M fund allocation for the Depot Park Enhancements project is anticipated to be between \$50,000 to \$75,000, depending on the finalized scope of work and cost estimates.

Utilization of Measure M Funds in FY 24/25 Budget Cycle:

In the upcoming budget cycle, Measure M funds would primarily go towards identifying potential sites for the exercise station, conducting public outreach, and soliciting input on design options, and covering the costs associated with the purchase and installation of the exercise equipment. These funds would ensure the successful implementation of the project and its alignment with community needs and priorities.

Consideration of Proposed Measure M Funded Park Projects to be Recommended to City Council for Inclusion in the 2024/25 City Budget

Additional Notes:

It's worth highlighting that the Ad Hoc Committee identified Depot Park as a high-traffic park with significant outdoor exercise activities, emphasizing the need for additional investment.

Furthermore, ongoing rehabilitation efforts, such as the renovation of the volleyball court currently underway, demonstrate the community's commitment to enhancing recreational facilities within the park.