

Date: 2/19/2018

To: Mayor Matthew Hunter and Assembly Members
Keith Brady, Municipal Administrator

From: Lynne Brandon, Sitka Community Playground Committee Grants Coordinator

Subject: National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA)/Disney Grant for Crescent Harbor Playground Renovation

Background:

- Crescent Harbor Park and Playground were created with a Land and Water Conservation Grant in 1972
- CBS Deferred Maintenance Priority since 2007
 - Last upgrade in 2000, scheduled replacement 2007
- First Tier Goal 2011 Sustainable Outdoor Recreation Plan
- Sitka Parks and Recreation Committee Goal
- Goal Sitka Health Summit 2011 and 2015; third place goal in 2014
- Assembly Legislative Priority for three years
- Volunteer Steering Committee formed in June 2014
- Steering Committee activities June 2014 through January 2018
 - Neighbors of Crescent playground contacted with no opposition
 - Signatures and letters of support gathered; Facebook page created
 - Partners support garnered from Rotary, SAIL, Community Hospital Foundation, US Coast Guard, local businesses
 - 2 Public Meetings held with unanimous support for Crescent site
 - Approval from Planning Commission, Historical Commission and Parks and Recreation Committee for Crescent
 - Assembly Resolution of Support for the use of one tennis court to expand playground to allow for required ADA accessibility and spacing.
 - Project was awarded \$2,000 by the Health Summit, \$10,000 by MAPP, the South East Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) and \$20,000 by the Crossett Fund for the playground design and construction documents.
 - Southeast Alaska Independent Living offers to be the non-profit umbrella for the playground renovation.
 - Anderson Land Planning hired by RFP process to complete a kid-led design process and develop construction documents in coordination with CBS.
 - In July 2016 the design concept and preliminary construction estimate were completed.
- A current total of \$690,659 has been raised by the Committee (\$144,516 local donations, \$69,127 local in-kind, and \$477,016 in grants) toward the \$ 763,938 project total. CBS has committed \$40,000 cash and \$50,000 in in-kind support.
- At their February 2015 meeting, the Sitka Parks and Recreation Committee members passed a motion supporting the City's NRPA/Disney grant application.

Analysis:

Southeast Alaska Independent Living (SAIL) is the nonprofit umbrella for the project. Most of the grants and fundraising is being administered through SAIL. This grant will be applied for through the City since only governmental entities may apply. The grant will be passed through to SAIL where they will do the grant accounting.

The NRPA/Disney grant request is for \$30,000 and will be dedicated toward project materials, equipment and supplies, if awarded.

Fiscal Note:

The consultant, Anderson Land Planning, developed a cost estimate to renovate Crescent Playground. The project will have in-kind contractor and City site preparation and volunteer equipment installation led by the equipment manufacturer. Funding is a combination of grants, City funding, donations from organizations, businesses and individual's cash donations and volunteer time.

Volunteer Grant Coordinator, Lynne Brandon, will complete the grant application. The grant will be passed-through to SAIL for grant financial administration with no costs incurred by the City.

PHASE II - Design - Complete	\$32,000
PHASE III Construction – Site Prep & Tile Installation	\$142,904
PHASE III Construction – Tile Safety Surfacing Purchase	\$125,986
PHASE III Construction – Community Build: Equipment	\$396,441
PHASE III Construction – Equipment Shipping	\$48,008
3 % Administration Fee - Southeast Alaska Independent Living	\$18,599
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	\$763,938

\$30,612	Businesses(23)
\$43,072	Organizations(15)
\$33,155	Individuals (130)
\$477,016	Grants (8)
\$37,676	Local Fundraising Events (14)
\$40,000	City of Sitka cash
\$69,127	In-Kind Donations Businesses/Contractors
\$730,659	TOTAL