

BOARD REPORT

NO. 24-170

DATE August 01, 2024

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: STATE STREET RECREATION CENTER – PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT (PRJ21600) PROJECT – CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 19, SECTION 15301(c) [MINOR ALTERATIONS OF EXISTING HIGHWAYS AND STREETS, SIDEWALKS, GUTTERS, BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAILS, AND SIMILAR FACILITIES (THIS INCLUDES ROAD GRADING FOR THE PURPOSE OF PUBLIC SAFETY), AND OTHER ALTERATIONS], SECTION 15301(f) [ADDITION OF SAFETY OR HEALTH PROTECTION DEVICES FOR USE DURING CONSTRUCTION OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXISTING STRUCTURES, FACILITIES, OR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, OR TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES INCLUDING NAVIGATIONAL DEVICES], SECTION 15302 [REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING STRUCTURES OR FACILITIES WHERE THE NEW STRUCTURE WILL BE LOCATED ON THE SAME SITE AS THE STRUCTURE REPLACED AND HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME PURPOSE AND CAPACITY], SECTION 15303(e) [INSTALLATION OF ACCESSORY (APPURTENANT) STRUCTURES INCLUDING GARAGES, CARPORTS, PATIOS, SWIMMING POOLS, AND FENCES], AND SECTION 15311(a) [ON-PREMISE SIGNS] OF CALIFORNIA CEQA GUIDELINES AND ARTICLE III, SECTION 1, CLASS 1(3), CLASS 1(6), CLASS 2, CLASS 3(6), AND CLASS 11(1) OF CITY CEQA GUIDELINES

B. Aguirre _____ M. Rudnick _____
B. Jones _____ for *C. Santo Domingo DF
C. Stoneham _____ N. Williams _____

General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve the scope of work and the total budget of the State Street Recreation Center – Playground Replacement (PRJ21600) Project (Project), as described in the Summary of this Report;
2. Approve the Project to be bid and constructed through the RAP list of pre-qualified on-call contractors;

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3. Approve the authorization of change orders as authorized under Board Report No. 06-136, for the construction contracts for this Project in the budget contingency amounts for such contracts as stated in this Report;
4. Determine that the Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(c) [Existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities (this includes road grading for the purpose of public safety), and other alterations], Section 15301(f) [Addition of safety or health protection devices for use during construction or in conjunction with existing structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment, or topographical features including navigational devices], Section 15302 [Replacement of existing structures or facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and have substantially the same purpose and capacity], Section 15303(e) [Installation of accessory (appurtenant) structures including garages, carports, patios, swimming pools, and fences], and Section 15311(a) [On-premise signs] of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3), Class 1(6), Class 2, Class 3(6), and Class 11(1) of City CEQA Guidelines and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the California Office of Planning and Research;
5. Authorize RAP's Chief Accounting Employee to prepare a check to the Los Angeles County Clerk in the amount of \$75.00 for the purpose of filing an NOE; and,
6. Authorize RAP staff to make technical corrections as necessary to carry out the intent of this Report.

SUMMARY

In 2016, Los Angeles County (County) voters approved Measure A, which provides the City of Los Angeles formula-based annual allocations for capital improvement projects under Community-based Park Investment Program (Category 1) and Neighborhood Parks, Healthy Communities, & Urban Greening Program (Category 2); competitive grants for capital improvement projects and recreational access programs under Natural Lands, Local Beaches, Water Conservation and Protection (Category 3); Regional Recreation Facilities, Multi-use Trails and Accessibility (Category 4); and additional competitive grants for Youth and Veteran Job Training and Placement (Category 5) as well as Implementation, Operations and Oversight Category. Additional annual allocations are available under Maintenance and Servicing Program to offset Proposition A and Measure A funded capital projects. Funding through the Measure A grant program will be generated in perpetuity through the collection of a parcel tax, with an estimated total annual funding of \$96.8 million across the County. In October 2018, City Council designated the L.A. For Kids Steering Committee as the administering entity for Measure A with RAP serving as the Grant Administrator (Council File (C.F.) No. 18-0611).

On February 3, 2022, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board) authorized the

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submission of 10 capital improvement project applications for Measure A funds to the County of Los Angeles Regional Park and Open Space District and acceptance of the grant funds upon award (Report No. 22-041). The Los Angeles City Council authorized the submittal of the Measure A grant applications and RAP to accept the awarded grant funds (CF # 22-0105).

PROJECT SCOPE

State Street Recreation Center is located at 716 North State Street in the Boyle Heights area of the City. This 2.62-acre park features a recreation center, baseball diamond, basketball court, and a play area for the use and enjoyment of the surrounding community. Approximately 7,285 City residents live within a one-half mile walking distance of State Street Recreation Center. Due to the facilities, features, programs, and services it provides, State Street Recreation Center meets the standard for a Community Park, as defined in the City’s Public Recreation Plan.

The scope of work of the proposed Project includes the following:

- 1) Installation of new 5–12-year-old playground equipment
- 2) Installation of approximately 2,164 square feet of poured-in-place safety surfacing
- 3) Installation of new site amenities, including benches, trash receptacles, and signage
- 4) Improvements to existing park pathways and path of travel

PROJECT FUNDING

A total of \$935,000.00 in Measure A funds was awarded to the proposed Project, which will be the total budget for this Project, inclusive of the budget and contingency amounts set forth below.

See below the anticipated pre-qualified on-call contract(s) and budget contingency amount(s) that will be used for the Project:

On-Call Contract	Contingency Amount
Playground Construction	\$140,250.00

FUNDING SOURCE MATRIX

Source	Fund/Dept/Acct	Amount	Percentage
Measure A Funds	63T/89/89YHLE	\$935,000.00	100%
Total		\$935,000.00	100%

PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

RAP Staff has determined that sufficient funding has been identified for the Project. See below the anticipated schedule for the proposed Project:

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Phase	Duration
Pre-design	January 2022 – March 2024
Design	March 2024 – June 2024
Bid and Award	August 2024 – October 2024
Construction	November 2024 – May 2025
Post Construction	May 2025 – August 2025

TREES AND SHADE

This Project will have no impact on the existing trees at State Street Recreation Center. The new playground includes integrated shade toppers.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed Project consists of:

- minor alteration to sidewalks and pedestrian trails (improvements to the existing park pathways and path of travel);
- addition of safety, security, health or environmental protection devices for use in conjunction with existing structures;
- replacement of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity;
- installation of an accessory (appurtenant) structures including a play area; and
- on-premise signs.

According to the parcel profile report retrieved on July 2, 2024, the construction of this Project is not in a liquefaction zone and the construction of this Project will not create conditions that could expose patrons of the park to increased risk of liquefaction. This site is not within a coastal zone and while the Project is within a methane and methane buffer zone, the proposed Project would not expose park patrons to methane seepage. Therefore, there is no reasonable possibility that the proposed Project may impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern or have a significant effect due to unusual circumstances. No other known projects would involve cumulatively significant impacts, and no future projects would result from the proposed Project. As of July 2, 2024, the State Department of Toxic Substances Control (CTSC) (Envirostor at www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWCB) (Geotracker at www.geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov) have not listed any cases within 1,000 feet of the Project area. It is not listed in the hazardous materials release sites, pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. According to the Caltrans Scenic Highway Map there is no scenic highway located within the vicinity of the proposed Project or within its site. The proposed Project is not in an area that would affect a historic or cultural monument.

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Based on this information, staff recommends that the Board determines that the proposed Project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301(c), Section 15301(f), Section 15302, Section 15303(e), and Section 15311(a) of California CEQA Guidelines and Article III, Section 1, Class 1(3), Class 1(6), Class 2, Class 3(6), and Class 11(1) of City CEQA Guidelines. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Clerk and the California Office of Planning and Research upon the Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated costs for the design, development, and construction of the proposed park improvements are anticipated to be funded by Measure A funds or funding sources other than RAP's General Fund. The maintenance of the proposed park improvements can be performed by current staff with minimal impact to existing maintenance service at this facility.

This Report was prepared by Nicolas Caulfield, Management Assistant, Planning, Maintenance and Construction Branch.

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Attachment 1 – Playground Rendering

City of Los Angeles

Prepared by



06-12-2024

Job # 105845-01

State Street Rec Center Playground Option 3



**State Street Tec Center Playground Option 3 - Project 105845-01-Opt 3
Los Angeles, CA**



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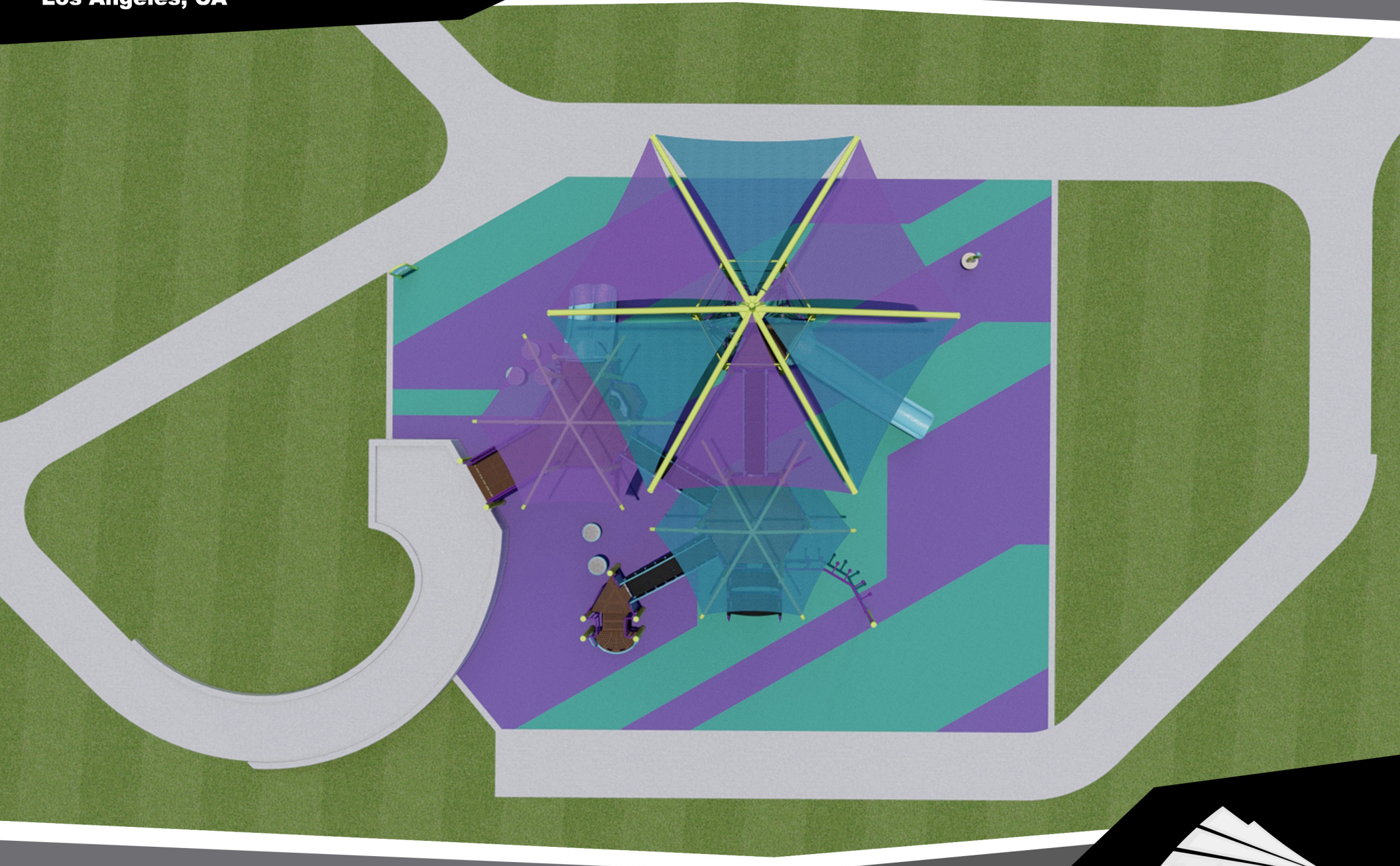
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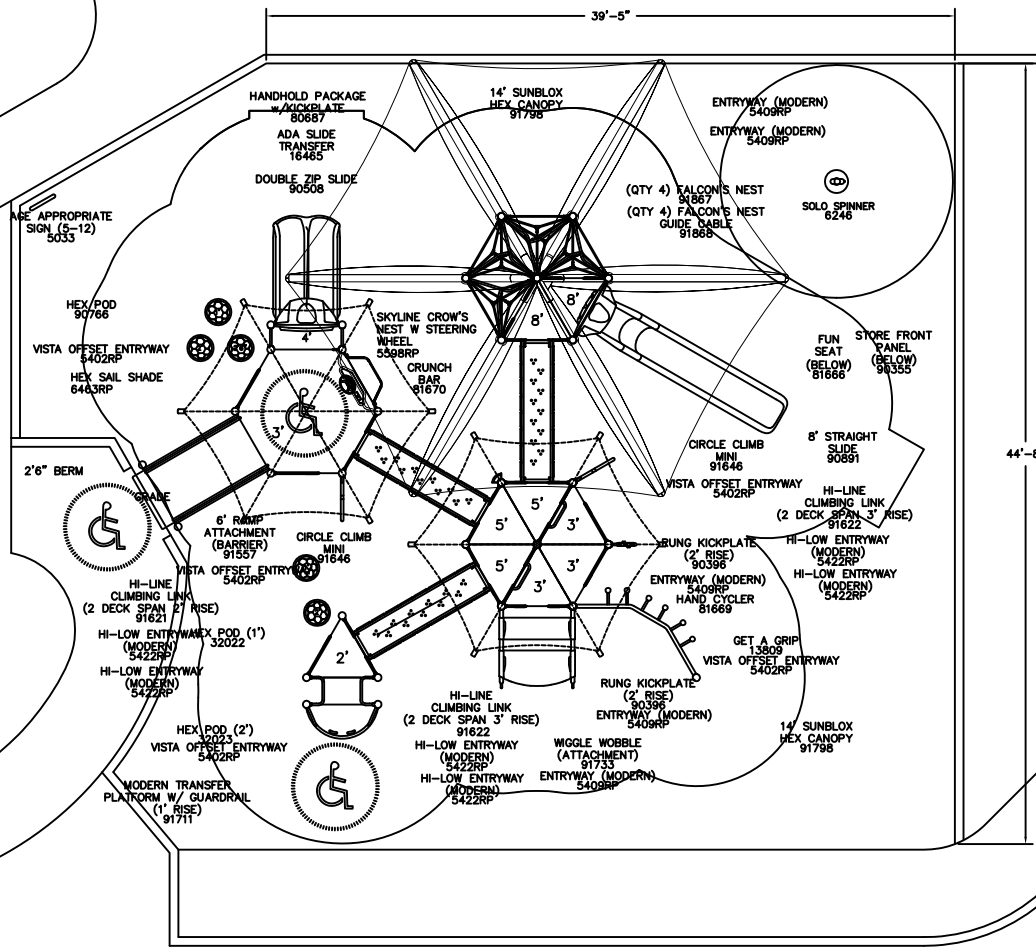


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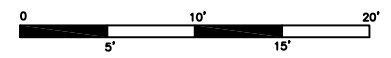


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44'-8"



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Total Elevated Play Components	14		
Total Elevated Play Components Accessible By Ramp	5	Required	4
Total Elevated Components Accessible By Transfer	7	Required	4
Total Accessible Ground Level Components Shown	6	Required	5
Total Different Types Of Ground Level Components	6	Required	3

This play equipment is recommended for children ages
 5 - 12

Minimum Area Required:
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 Scale: -
 This drawing can be scaled only when in an 18" x 24" format

IMPORTANT: Soft resilient surfacing should be placed in the use zones of all equipment, as specified for each type of equipment, and at depths to meet the critical fall heights as specified by the U.S. consumer Product Safety Commission, ASTM standard F 1487 and Canadian Standard CAN/CSA-Z-614

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