



Agenda Cover Memorandum

Meeting Date: April 8, 2019

Meeting Type: Committee of the Whole City Council Budget Workshop

Item Title: Green Infrastructure Grant for Central Parking Lot

Action Requested: Approval For Discussion Feedback Requested For Your Information

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Background:

This item was discussed at the January 14, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting, where staff was asked to bring back additional information.

The City received a grant from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) for their Green Infrastructure Program for the construction of a green parking lot (permeable paver) at the Central (Library) Lot. The grant amount is for 50% of the construction, in an amount not to exceed \$650,000. It is anticipated that the total project cost will be less than \$1,300,000. As the City is responsible for 100% of design and construction engineering costs, in addition to half of the construction cost, it is anticipated that the entire \$650,000 will not be used.

MWRD has indicated that our project was selected based on its large area, making it able to detain more water, and also for the opportunity to provide publicity to the green infrastructure grant program and educational opportunities at the Library.

Attached is a concept design that was developed for the proposed parking lot. The parking space count is currently 175 (including 4 handicapped spaces). It is estimated to be 162 (including 6 handicapped spaces) after construction. We anticipate the lot configuration to remain relatively the same, but the landscaped areas will increase by approximately 2,000 square feet.

Staff has spoken with several other communities who have received MWRD grants and have found their comments to be relatively consistent: the Intergovernmental Agreement requirements are difficult to comply with, and that the ongoing maintenance and operation requirements can be tedious and expensive.

Attached is the draft Intergovernmental Agreement with comments from the City Attorney. Also included are documents outlining Partnership Responsibilities and the Operations and Maintenance Plan.

We will discuss this matter.

Attachments:

- Concept Plan
- Intergovernmental Agreement with City Attorney Comments
- Partnership Responsibilities and Operations and Maintenance Plan