



## January Board Cycle

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Date: December 29, 2017  
To: Jason Haas, Chair, Parks, Energy and Environment Committee  
From: Guy Smith, CPRP, Interim Parks Director  
Subject: **Washington Park Multi-Use Fields Fund Transfer Request (INFORMATION)**

### Issue

Informational report on the Fund Transfer Request to add expenditure authority of \$90,000 to WP632012 Washington Park Multi-Use Field. Expenditure authority is requested to be transferred from surplus funding in WP603011 Smith Pavilion Wall Imp/Maint.

### Background

The 2016 Adopted Capital Improvements Budget provided an appropriation of \$210,000 in tax levy for Capital Improvement Project WP61701- Washington Park West Baseball Field.

In April of 2017, Supervisor Nicholson requested a transfer of the funding to finance Multi-Use Soccer Field Upgrades (File No 17-264). The County Board and County Executive subsequently approved the transfer.

The original appropriation was intended to make improvements to the existing baseball field. When the project scope was changed and the funds were transferred, the goal was to be able to complete the soccer field improvements with the originally appropriated funds.

The soccer field improvement project was structured in two parts: Contract 1 – Baseball Infrastructure Demolition and Contract 2 – Site Grading and Turf Restoration. Contract 1 included the removal of field lighting, asphalt pavement, and fencing. Contract 2 included minor storm sewer improvements, re-grading the site to create one large playing surface and re-establishing turf grass for the soccer fields. The project was bid in July with Contract 1 receiving only one bid and Contract 2 initially receiving zero bids. After extending the bid date by a week, Contract 2 received three bids, ranging from \$192,000 – \$377,000.



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Contract 1 was awarded in August and the work was completed in September. Contract 2 was not awarded due to insufficient funds. There are still issues associated with the uneven field surfaces left from the old baseball fields, restricting the total area that is suitable as a soccer field playing surface. There are also existing manholes and drain inlets within the playing area that need to be addressed to reduce tripping and slipping hazards.

The estimated cost to complete Contract 2 is approximately \$220,000. The remaining project budget is approximately \$130,000, requiring a fund transfer request of \$90,000. Rebidding the project early in the year should increase interest from contractors resulting in more competitive bidding.

The total area involved is approximately eight acres. Additional funding would provide for a competitive, sustainable multi-use recreation fields at Washington Park.

Surplus funding is being requested from WP603011 Smith Pavilion Wall Imp/Maint., which was substantially complete on 5/17/17.

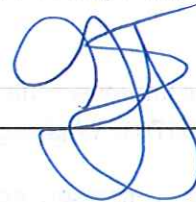
This fund transfer has no tax levy impact.

#### Recommendation

No action requested. Informational item unless further action required.

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Attachments:

- None

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