



# Park and Recreation Commission

*City of Arts & Innovation*

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**TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS** **DATE: JANUARY 30, 2019**

**FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**SUBJECT: UPDATE ON THE YOUTH INNOVATION CENTER AT ARLINGTON PARK**

## **ISSUE:**

Provide an update on the construction and programming components of the new Youth Innovation Center at Arlington Park.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Park and Recreation Commission receive and provide feedback on a report highlighting updates on the construction and programming components of the new Youth Innovation Center at Arlington Park.

## **BACKGROUND:**

On December 16, 2014, the City Council directed staff to re-design existing plans for a childcare center to serve as a Youth Innovation Center (YIC) and allocate funding for the design phase. Staff held off on bidding the project until January 29, 2018, so funding would be available for operating the facility once constructed.

On July 30, 2018, Act 1 Construction was issued a notice to proceed with constructing the approximately, 10,000 square foot YIC at Arlington Park. The project, including the YIC building and associated site improvements (parking lot, landscaping and outdoor classroom/patio area) is anticipated to be completed in June 2018, at which time staff will furnish and prepare the facility for public use, with an anticipated opening in Summer of 2019.

## **DISCUSSION:**

### **CONSTRUCTION**

Progress made on the construction phase of the project includes: 1) construction mobilization; 2) demolition; 3) rough grading; 4) building footings; 5) under utilities; 6) concrete floor/slab; 7) property line wall; 8) Trellis structures; and 9) starting rough framing of walls.

## **PROGRAMMING**

Staff held meetings with Cal Baptist University's Jobs School of Business, Springs Charter School, the Community Services Foundation (CSF), and attended Code to Careers meetings to gain support, develop partnerships, and receive advice on funding, marketing, and YIC offerings.

Staff met with the city marketing team to develop the overall look of the YIC fundraising campaign and website (URL, City compatibility and guidelines, and ADA compliance).

Surveys to select the YIC mission statement and slogan were compiled at local schools and colleges. The mission statement that was selected was: *"The Youth Innovation Center is where technology enhances creativity so our community can invent, explore, discover and play to create tomorrow's solutions today."* The slogan that will be used on all marketing pieces is: *"A space by itself isn't innovative, it's the people inside that space who CREATE it."*

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## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this update report.

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