

Budget Engagement Commission

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS

DATE: MARCH 27, 2019

- FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY WARD: 5 SERVICES DEPARTMENT WARD: 5
- SUBJECT: MEASURE Z REALLOCATE MEASURE Z FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$426,454 FROM YOUTH INNOVATION CENTER CAPITAL PROJECT ACCOUNT TO FIRST YEAR (FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020) ARLINGTON PARK YOUTH INNOVATION CENTER OPERATING COSTS

ISSUE:

Recommend that the City Council Authorize the reallocation of Measure Z funds in the amount of \$426,454 from the Youth Innovation Center capital project account to fund operating costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 for the Youth Innovation Center at Arlington Park.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Budget Engagement Commission recommend that the City Council authorize the reallocation of Measure Z funds in the amount of \$426,454 from the Youth Innovation Center capital project account to fund operating costs for Fiscal Year 19/20 for the 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 at Arlington Park to serve as a Youth Innovation Center (YIC) and allocated funding for the design phase.

On January 29, 2018, the Purchasing Division posted bid documents for Bid No. 7489 and received seven (7) bids on March 7, 2018. On May 22, 2018 the bid was awarded to Act 1 Construction, of Norco, CA. On June 12, 2018, the City Council allocated \$600,000 from Measure Z funds to the Youth Innovation Center capital project account.

The YIC will consist of construction of a 10,800 sq. ft. center and 1.0 acre site improvements to the existing Arlington Park site. The interior center amenities include lobby, reception area, office, lounge, classrooms, multi-purpose rooms, broadcasting studio, sound recording booth, conference room and restrooms. The site improvements include construction of a new parking lot, outdoor patio, raised garden planters, entry plaza, outdoor terraced classroom, sidewalks, open turf, lighting, trash enclosure, signage, furniture, landscape and irrigation.

DISCUSSION:

The YIC at Arlington Park has been designed to accommodate cutting edge programming, services, clubs and activities such as youth-run television programs, robotics, aviation, coding, sound recording, 3-D prototype modeling, computer programming classes oriented toward technology education and job skills development for Riverside's youth.

The programs and services would also support the City's new Innovation District through development of a local workforce that will be able to transition into new innovated jobs. Partnerships are envisioned with large industrial employers like SolarMax, Luxfer, Bourns, Inc., as well as, intellectual resources at University of California, Riverside, California Baptist University, La Sierra University, Riverside Community College, and the Riverside Unified School District STEM School for the Arts and the Riverside Arts Academy.

The YIC will offer a similar broad range of work skills and educational assistance programs as the Johnny Martin Sotelo Youth Opportunity Center (YOC) in the Eastside neighborhood, but the YIC will focus on innovation, technology and multi-media to complement the arts-focused programs at the existing YOC. The dedication and opening is planned for July/August 2019.

Community Facilities District 2006-1 funds were recently identified as appropriate uses of funds for the construction of the YIC at Arlington Park. As a result, the CFD 2006-1 bond funds would substitute Measure Z funds allowing Measure Z funds to be reallocated toward operational costs. The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is requesting Measure Z funds be re-allocated to fund operational costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, the first year of the YIC operation. Funding for operating costs in future years will be discussed and identified during the development of the FY 2020-22 Two-Year Budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There would be no fiscal impact related to this action. Staff is requesting the reallocation of funds currently designated for construction costs to be used instead for operating the YIC in FY 2019-20. Future operating costs thereafter will be identified during the budget development process for the FY 2020-22 Two-Year Budget.

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