

Park and Recreation Commission

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS DATE: JULY 15, 2019

FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON THE YOUTH INNOVATION CENTER AT ARLINGTON PARK

ISSUE:

Receive 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 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 9,000 square foot Youth Innovation Center at Arlington Park. The project, including the Youth Innovation Center building and associated site improvements (parking lot, landscaping and outdoor classroom/patio area), is anticipated to be completed in October 2019, at which time, staff will furnish and prepare the facility for public use for an anticipated opening by end 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; 9) framing; 10) interior utility conduit and 11) windows.



Programming

Staff and Riverside Community Services Foundation Board Members have finalized social media posts. Posts have been preloaded and include 24 posts to highlight Music Mondays, Taco Training Tuesdays, Innovator Wednesdays, Gamer Thursdays and Friday Benefits. Staff have also set a timeline for potential independent contractors and partnering organizations to submit proposals for programming they are willing to offer at the Youth Innovation Center. An informational meeting for all interested parties was held on Wednesday June 19th.

Staff have worked to finalize sponsorship information, including editing pamphlets, finalizing sponsorship tiers and naming rights particulars. A sponsorship pamphlet has been resubmitted for design and is pending approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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