City of Carson City Agenda Report

Date Submitted: October 9, 2012 Agenda Date Requested: October 18, 2012

Time Requested: 10 minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Parks and Recreation Department

Subject Title: For possible action to approve the submittal of a Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) grant application for capital improvements to the lower sports complex at JohnD Winters Centennial Park, to authorize Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Director to sign the grant application on behalf of Carson City, and to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the project. (Joel Dunn, Recreation Operations Manager / Juan F. Guzman, Open Space Manager)

Staff Summary: Carson City has the opportunity to apply for a Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) grant in Round 14 for capital improvements to the lower sports complex at JohnD Winters Centennial Park. Parks and Recreation Department staff is requesting Board of Supervisors approval to apply for this grant.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)		
() Resolution () Ordinance		
(X) Formal Action/Motion () Other (Specify)		
Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:	() Yes	(<u>X</u>) No

Recommended Board Action: I move to approve the submittal of a Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) grant application for capital improvements to the lower sports complex at JohnD Winters Centennial Park, to authorize Roger Moellendorf, Parks and Recreation Director to sign the grant application on behalf of Carson City, and to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the project.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: In 2006, the Carson City Recreation Division began providing an adult soccer program for the community. This program has been well received, especially by the Hispanic community, and has been continually growing with approximately 760 people participating in the program. As a result of this growth, the adult soccer program is currently using the big turf area at Mills Park, all four softball outfields at the JohnD Winters Centennial Park upper sports complex and the playfields at the lower complex. This recreation demand and extensive field use at Mills Park and JDW Centennial Park's upper complex is damaging the existing turf, effecting its playability, and has increased turf maintenance costs. The construction of two new multi-use fields at the lower complex will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to relocate the adult soccer program from Mills Park and reduce the amount of 6 vs. 6 team league play at the upper complex. In addition, these fields will provide a new quality venue for sports tournaments. Like the existing fields at the upper sports complex, these fields at the lower complex could be used for various sports tournaments. The increase of tournaments will provide positive and important economic benefits through sports tourism for our community. In addition to the new multi-purpose fields, the Parks and Recreation Department staff has identified a number of site improvements that will increase the enjoyment of both spectators and participants while making the lower sports complex more ADA accessible. This project should be maintenance neutral because the increase in grass area will be minimal and maintenance requirements at Mills Park and the JDW Centennial Park upper complex should be reduced, thereby offsetting the additional maintenance costs on the new multi-purpose fields.

The Open Space Advisory Committee voted unanimously to support this project and the Parks and Recreation Commission voted 6 to 1 to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to approve submittal of the grant application.

Very preliminary project estimates are between \$400,000 to \$500,000. Our department will be working with Public Works staff to refine the project's cost estimate before submitting the grant application. Other City projects funded by SNPLMA include hazardous fuels reduction on the west side of Carson City, the Bently land acquisition, and hopefully, the Eagle Valley Creek bridge and trail construction project (the funding agreement has not yet been signed).

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: The Board of Supervisors has a grant policy that requires Board approval prior to staff applying for any grants over \$25,000.

Fiscal Impact: The SNPLMA grant program does not require a grant match. However, providing some match (either cash or in-kind match) as a part of the grant application would increase our chances of obtaining a grant. It is anticipated City staff will provide an in-kind match for the project.

Explanation of Impact: Currently, the City has no available funds to provide a cash match for the grant application. However, City staff has identified a number of work tasks associated with the construction that can be used for an in-kind match and lower the cost of the project.

Funding Source: N/A

Alternatives: 1) Not approve the grant application submittal to SNPLMA program

2) Request staff to modify the grant application to SNPLMA program

Supporting Material: Exhibit A – SNPLMA grant announcement

> Exhibit B – Mayor's letter of support Exhibit C – Existing Site Conditions Exhibit D – Proposed Improvements

Exhibit E – Conceptual Plan

Reviewed By:

Roger Moellendorf, Parks & Recreation Director

Lawrence A. Werner, City Manager

Finance Department

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Motion:	1:	Aye/Nay
	2:	
(Vote Recorded By)		

Board Action Taken:



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SNPLMA PARYAGAI for Nominations

The Bureau of Land Management is now accepting Round 14 nominations for projects authorized by the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (SNPLMA, Public Law 105-263, as amended), in the following categories:

- Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas
- Capital Improvements
- · Conservation Initiatives
- Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions
- Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention
- Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project (ENLRP)
- Clark County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan and Implementation (MSHCP)

Due to dramatically slowing land sales and falling Interest earned on funds in the SNPLMA Special Account, funds available for Round 14 are significantly lower than earlier rounds. As a result, although the round is open to all categories there should be no expectation that every category will receive a recommendation for funding in Round 14.

Round 13 recommended funding was \$6,893,252, with average recommended funding per project of \$344,663. The Executive Committee has set a funding target for Round 14 at approximately the same level as Round 13.

In order to prepare the best possible nomination, it is recommended that partners look at the types of projects approved in Round 12 and recommended for funding in the Round 13 Preliminary Recommendation to ensure that nominations are competitive. Those projects can be found at www.bim.gov/snplma. In addition, it should be noted that in times of reduced funding, projects that leave a legacy on the landscape, and thus demonstrate the positive effect of the SNPLMA legislation, are highly desirable.

Please carefully adhere to the limitations and requirements outlined in the nomination package requirements to ensure nomination packages are complete, and have thorough responses to criteria questions. Incomplete packages will not be accepted.

Nomination packages will be accepted beginning Monday, September 10, 2012, through the close of business (4:30 p.m. Pacific Time) on Friday, November 9, 2012. Late submittals will not be accepted.

Land acquisition nominations require early submittal of a nomination summary and a preliminary title report by 4:30 pm PST on Wednesday, October 10, 2012. The summary form for this submittal is available on the SNPLMA website at the link listed below.

In order to extend the benefits of the SNPLMA funding program and to allow partner agencies to complete previously approved projects, the SNPLMA Executive Committee has agreed to postpone the opening of Round 15 until September 2014.

NOMINATION PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS BY CATEGORY

Below is a link to the nomination package requirements documents for each category. Each requirements document includes "Round 14 Nomination Limitations and Direction," "General Formatting and Submittal Requirements," and "Nomination Content Requirements" that are applicable to all categories. In addition each document includes category-specific requirements such as eligibility requirements, additional content requirements, and assessment questions.

Click here to go to the Round 14 Nomination Package Requirements For All Categories and A List of SNPLMA Performance Measures with Descriptions

HOW TO SUBMIT NOMINATIONS

Nomination packages should be sent to the following address to the attention of the appropriate SNPLMA Program Manager:

BLM Southern Nevada District Office SNPLMA Division 4701 North Torrey Pines Orive Las Vegas Nevada, 89130

<u>Land Acquisitions</u>: attn: Libby White, (702) 515-5041

<u>Capital Improvements</u>: attn: Bob Taylor, (702) 515-5139

Conservation Initiatives and MSHCP: attn: Kelly Ross, (702) 515-5120 Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas: attn: Jeff Wilbanks, (702) 515-5070

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October 18, 2012

Jeff Wilbanks
PTNA Program Manager
Bureau of Land Management / SNPLMA Division
Southern Nevada District
4701 North Torrey Pines Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89130

Dear Mr. Wilbanks:

On behalf of the Carson City Board of Supervisors and our residents, I would like to express our support and request your uppermost consideration for the JohnD Winters Centennial Park lower complex multi-purpose fields project.

This project will provide for the expansion of our adult soccer recreation programs; reduce extensive field use and programming on other city turf facilities; and provide important economic benefits through sports tourism for our community.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Crowell Mayor



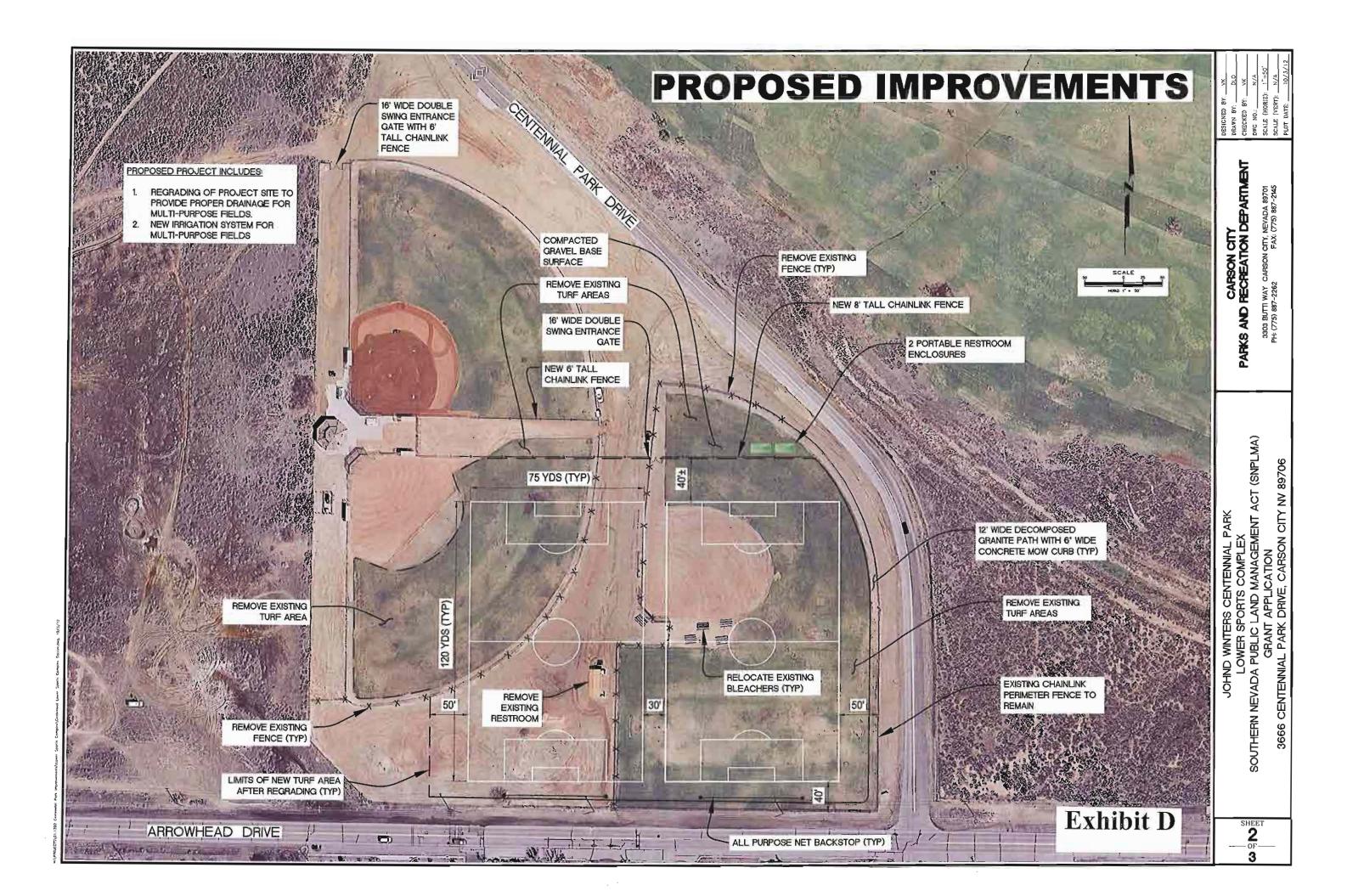
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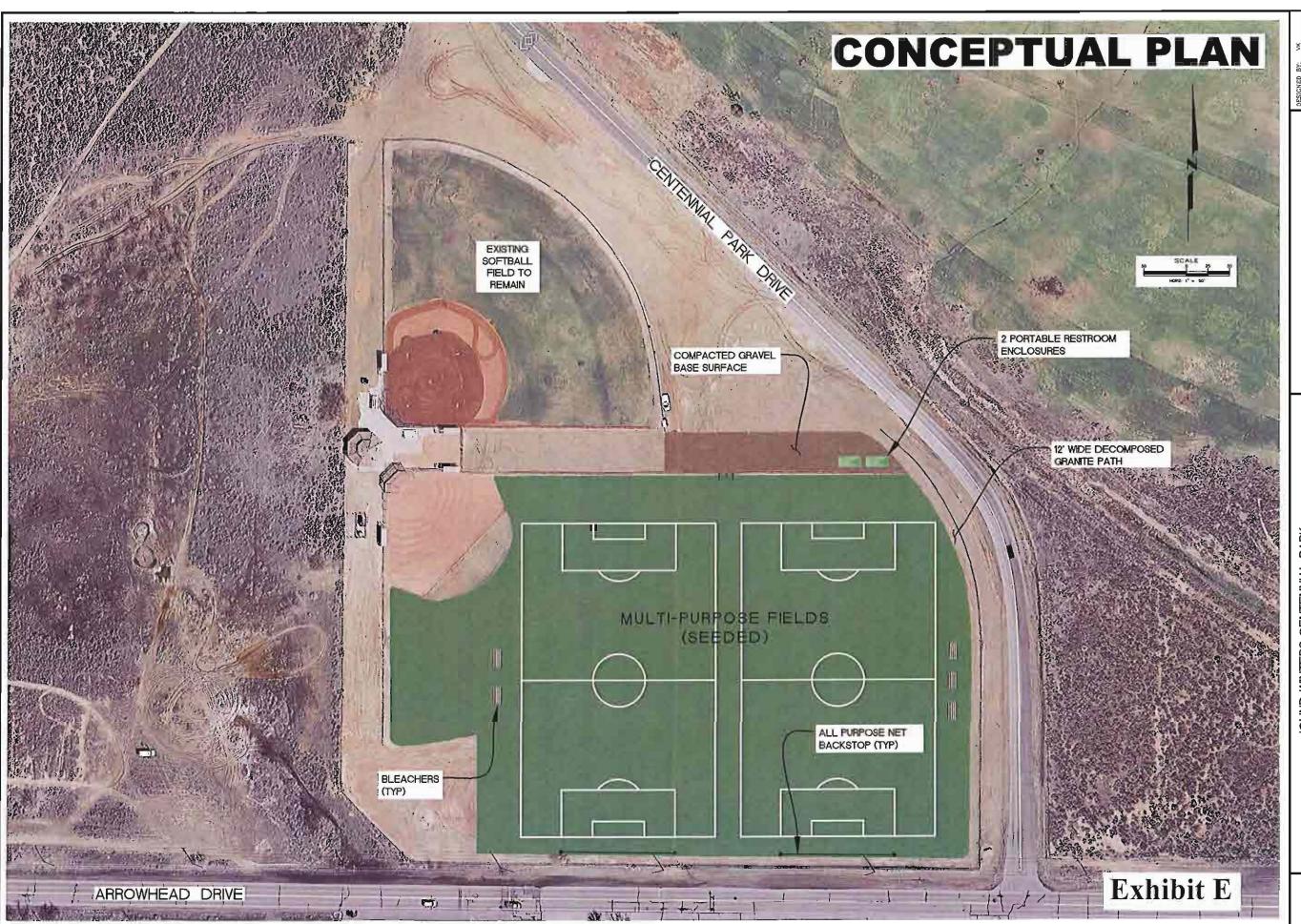
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