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July 21, 2025

Key West City Commissioners
1300 White Street
Key West, FL 33040

Re: Public Comment on Proposed Budget July 22, 2025 Agenda and Bayview Park Proposal – July 24, 2025 PRAB Agenda

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to formally submit a public comment regarding the proposed fiscal budget and the associated Bayview Park proposal scheduled to be presented on July 24, 2025.

Throughout this year, both the City Commission and the City Manager have repeatedly expressed their commitment to renovating Bayview Park and installing a large, exciting splash pad as part of those efforts. Despite this stated intention, the current proposed budget includes no specific allocation for the renovation of Bayview Park. Additionally, the proposal on the July 24 agenda still refers to the splash pad as merely being "considered" rather than confirmed.

I respectfully urge the Commission to adopt a formal resolution that clearly directs the city to include the splash pad in the final plans for Bayview Park, and to make its installation a clear priority. More importantly, the funding for the splashpad should be explicitly included in the FY2026 budget.

At the June 2025 Commission meeting, the City Attorney stated that the current resolution's language—using the word “urges”—does not mandate the inclusion of the splash pad. This language, unfortunately, gives city staff discretion to disregard what I believe is the Commission's unanimous support for this feature. I have heard every Commissioner publicly support the inclusion of a splash pad at Bayview Park. The time has come to reinforce that commitment with concrete action and proper funding.

Additionally, I would appreciate clarification regarding the \$317,808.59 remaining in the Bender & Associates contract that was allocated specifically for the design of Bayview Park. It is unclear where these funds currently reside, and they do not appear to be annotated in the proposed budget. This lack of transparency raises concerns and deserves immediate attention.

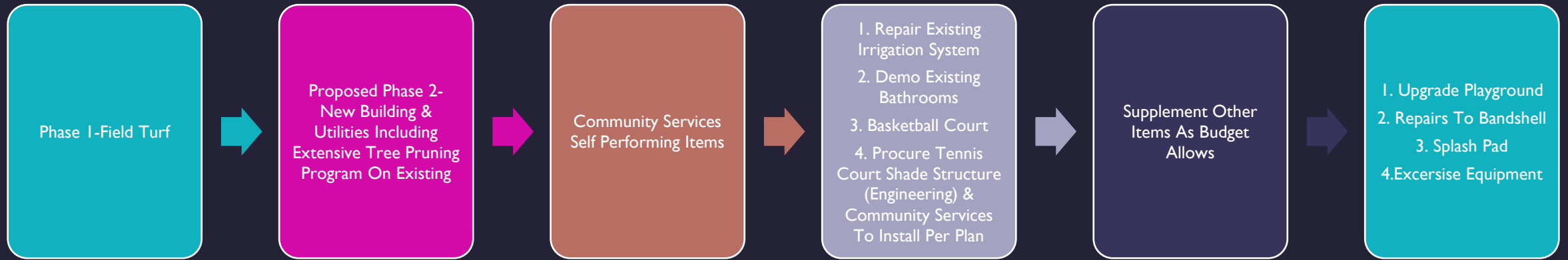
Please ensure the city's actions reflect the clear and consistent support of the Commission and the community for this long-awaited project. The splash pad at Bayview Park has widespread backing, and its inclusion in the upcoming fiscal plan is essential to move this effort from discussion to reality.

Thank you for your continued service to the city and for considering this public comment.

Respectfully,
Heather Jangraw

Bayview Park Renovations





Phased Approach

Updated Master Plan Version 1



- 1 Shade Structures For Existing Bleachers
- 2 New Pro Shop/Restroom & Maintenance Building
 - 2 Existing Wooden Light Poles To Be Removed
 - Transplant Existing Palm
- 3 Existing Tennis Courts
- 4 Underground Electric Line
- 5 Proposed Playground with Shade Structure
- 6 Cross-fit Equipment Along Trail
- 7 Existing Basketball Court To Be Repaved
- 8 Improvements to Bandstand
- 9 Phase 1: Artificial Turf at Ball Field. Approved June 2025
- 10 4" Concrete Sidewalk to Remain
- 11 Irrigation, & Turf To Be in Later Phase
- 12 Demo Existing Restrooms
- 13 Proposed Splash Pad
- 14 Proposed Dog Park

- Benches
- Bike Racks
- Trash Receptacle
- Lighting

NOTE: New Benches, Bike Racks, Trash Receptacles, Picnic Tables as Budget Allows

Existing Canopy To Remain



Proposed Canopy

Updated Master Plan Version 2



LEGEND

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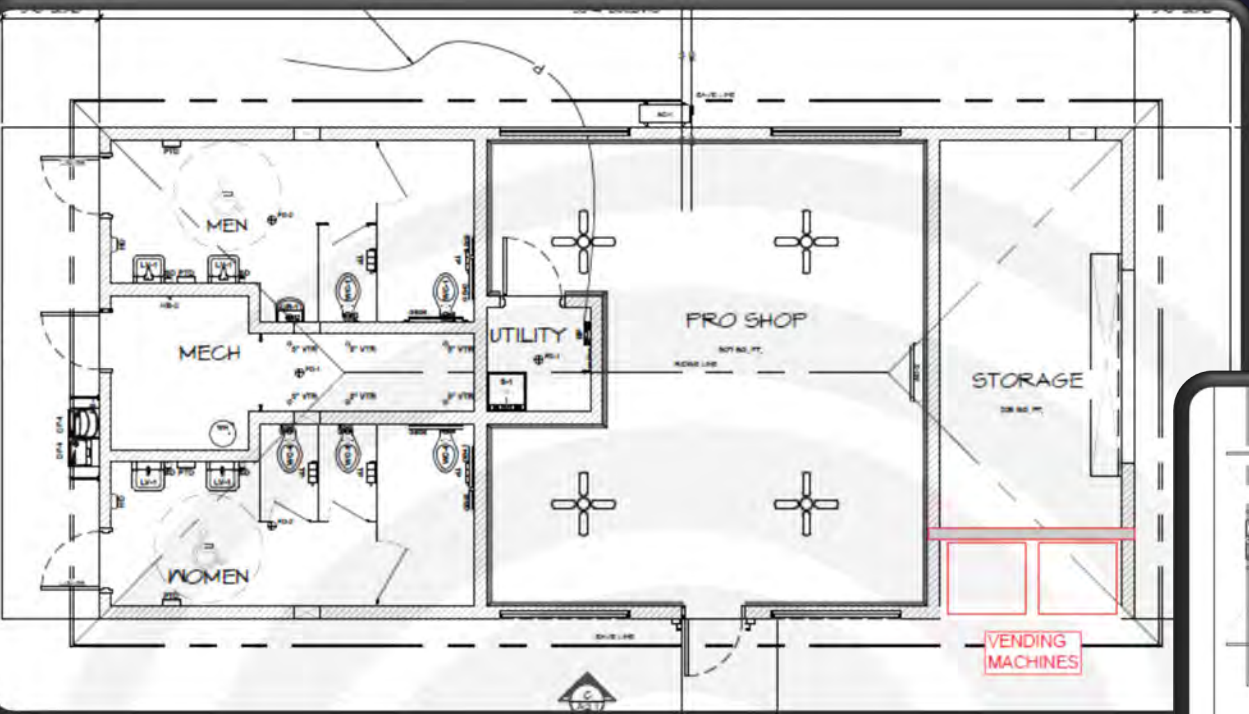
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Proposed Canopy

Phase 2-Proposed New Bathroom-Tennis Pro Shop-Maintenance Building

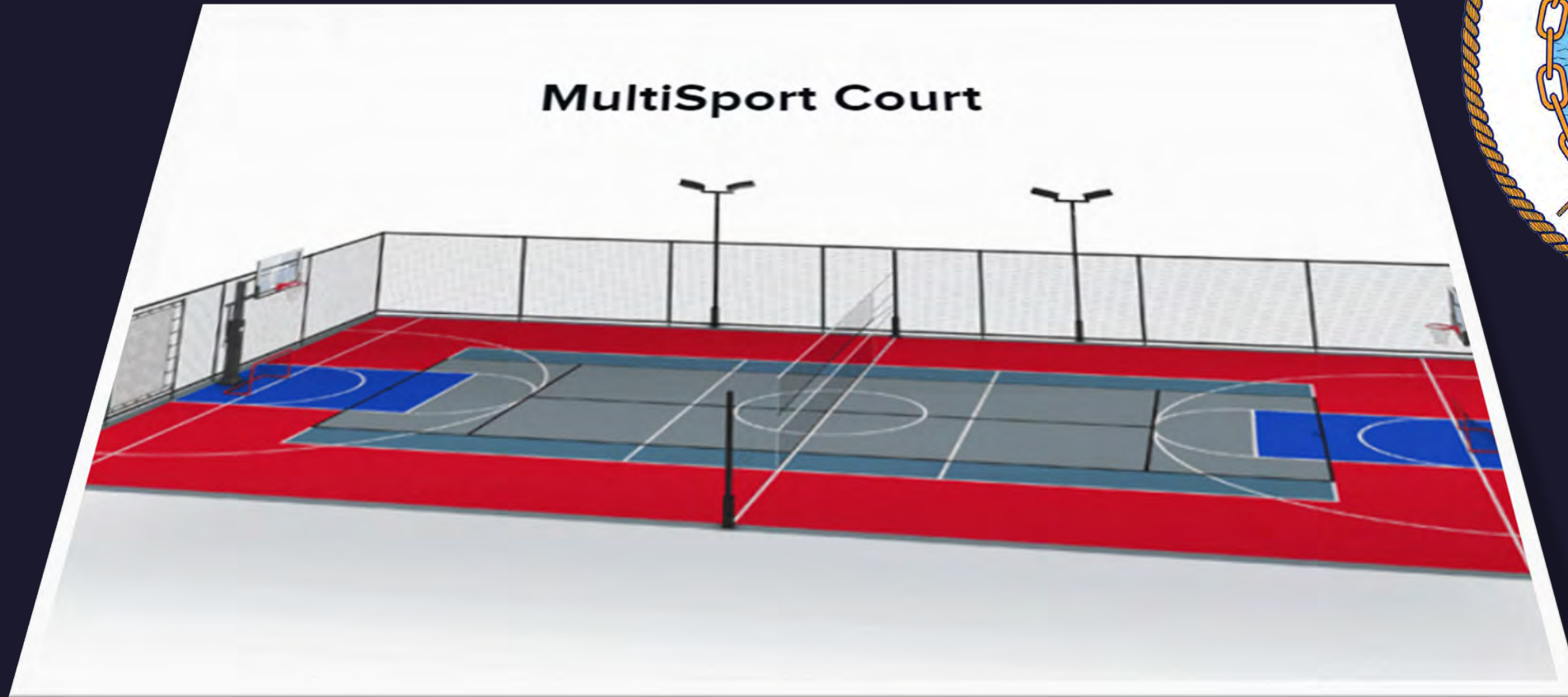


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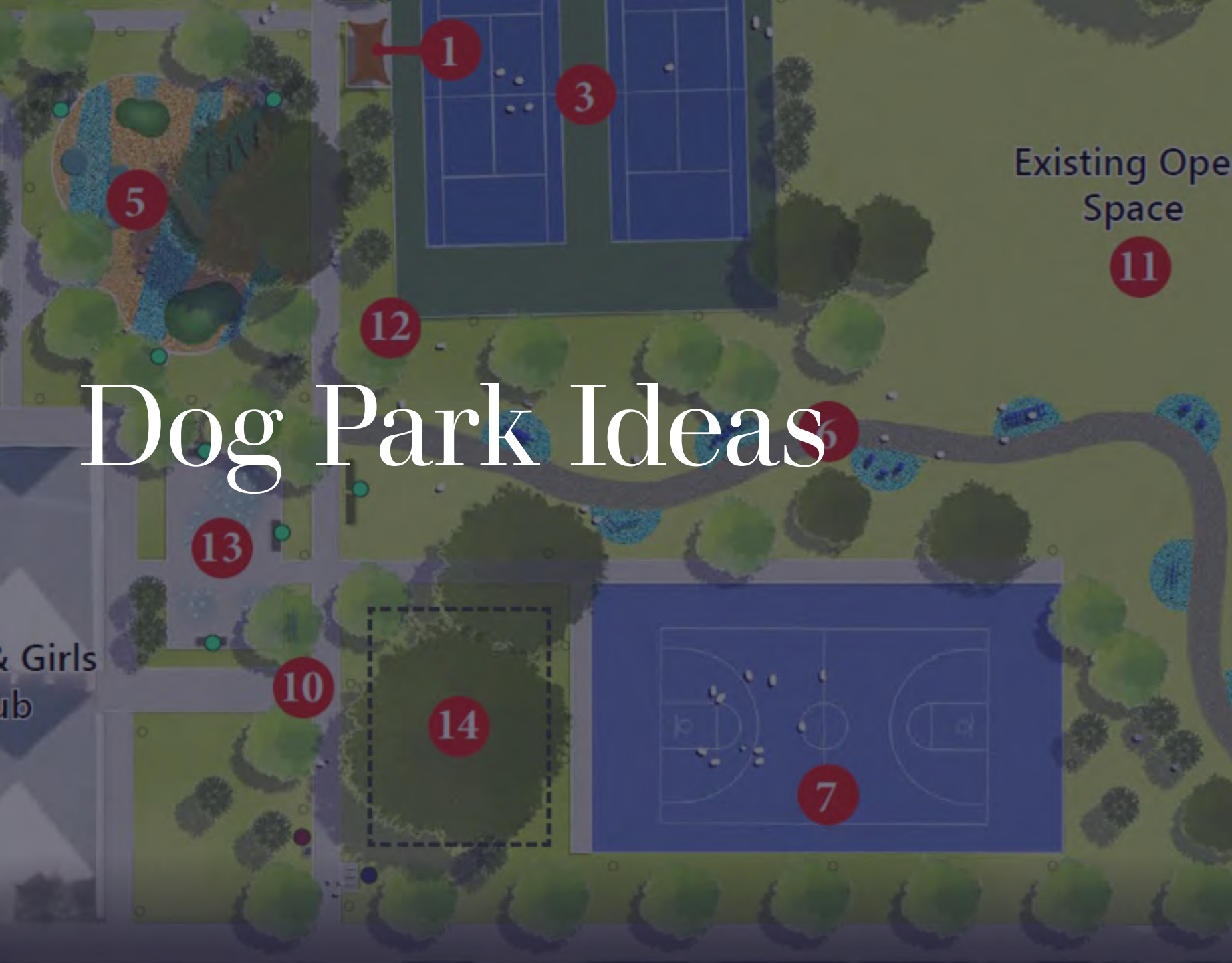


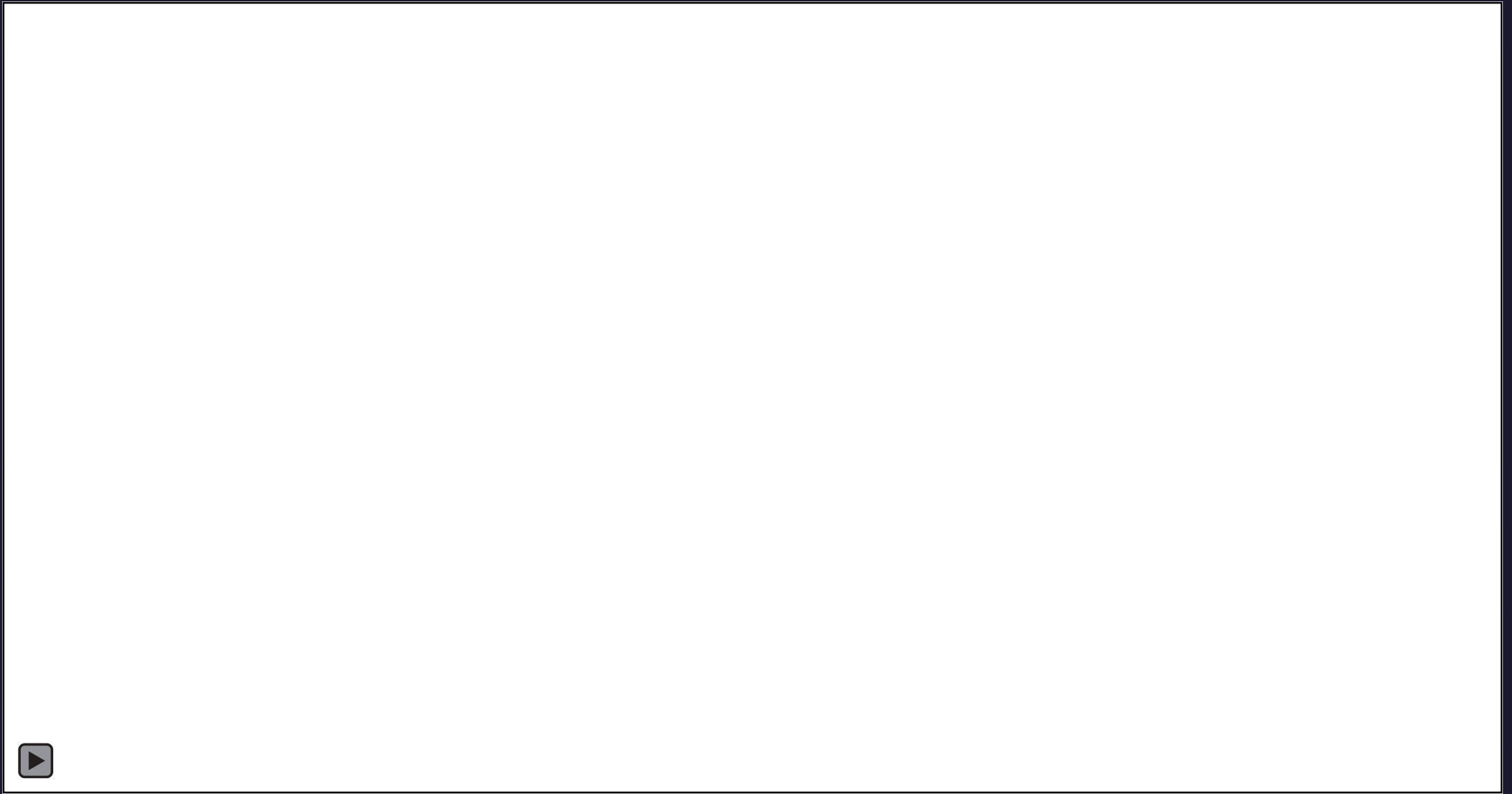
Upgrade Tennis Court Shade Structure

Multi-Generational Park Ideas



- POSSIBLY CONFIGURE MULTI-PURPOSE BASKETBALL COURTS INTO BAYVIEW PARK
- LOWER MAINTENANCE BUT HARD TO SCHEDULE INDIVIDUAL USAGE TO MEET COMMUNITY NEEDS

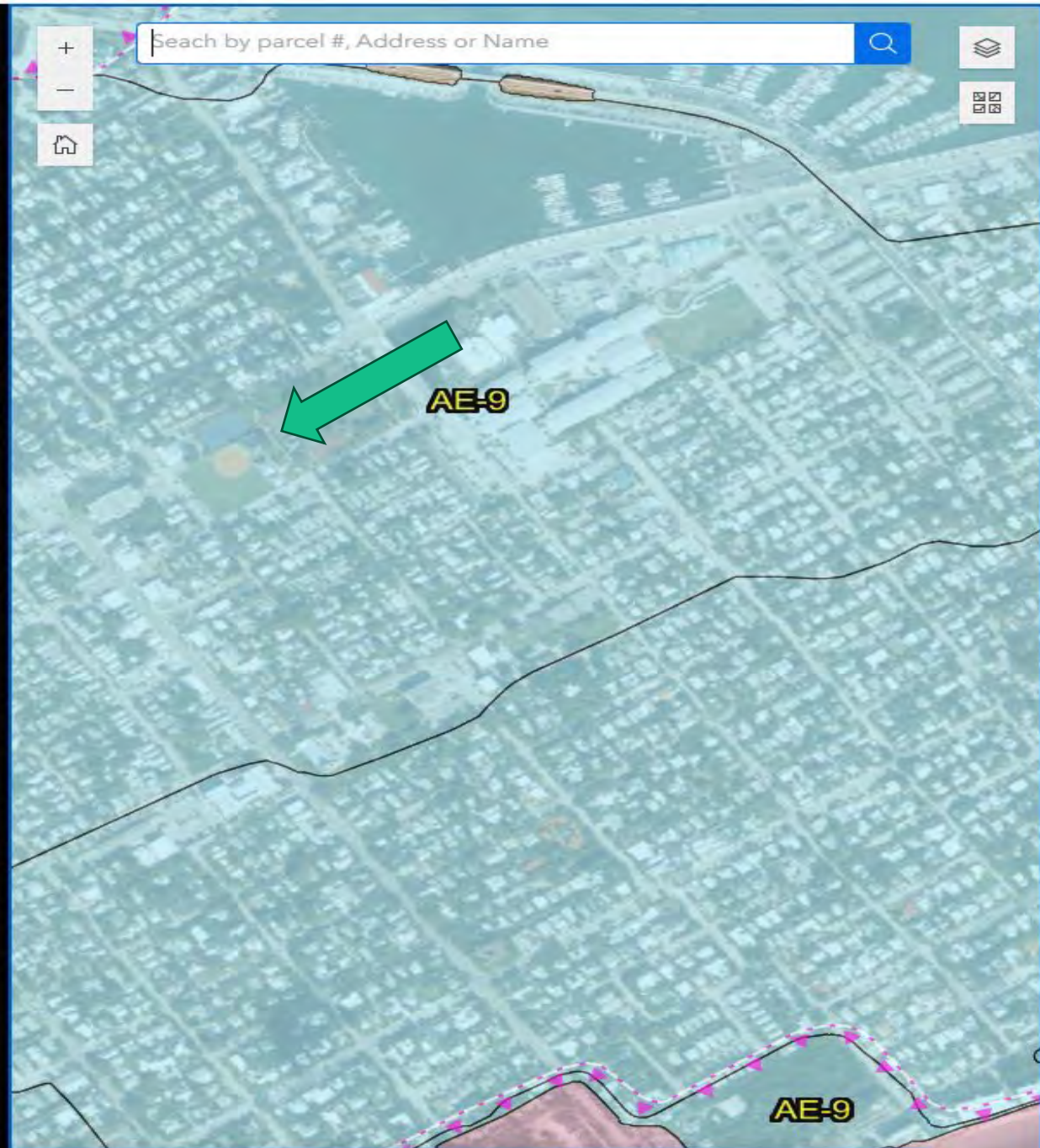




Splash Pad Considered



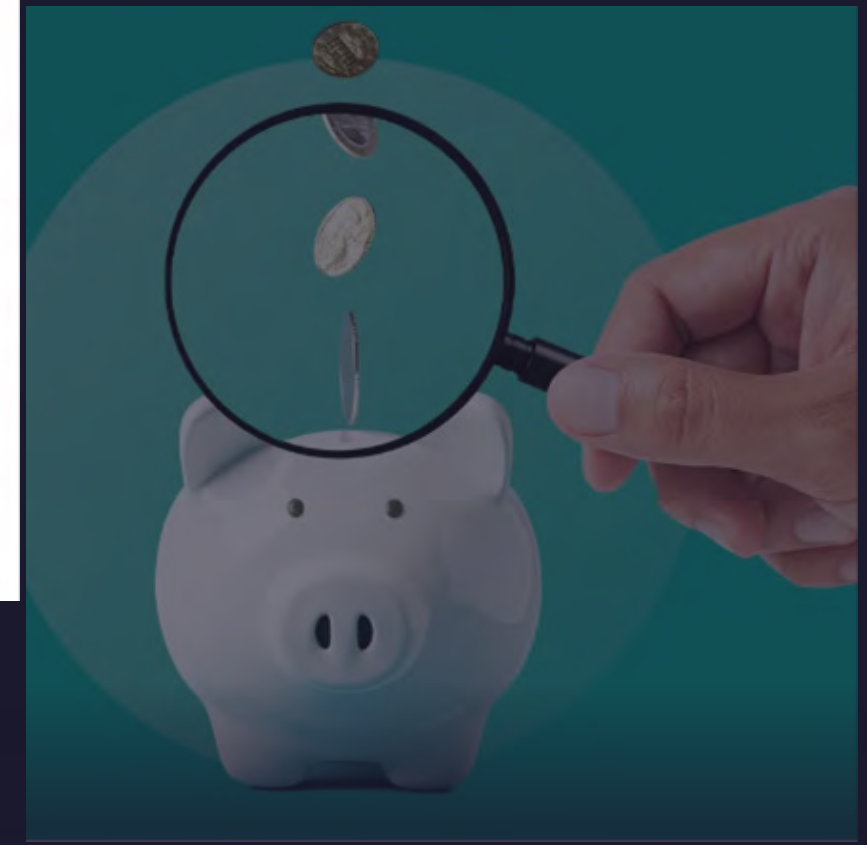
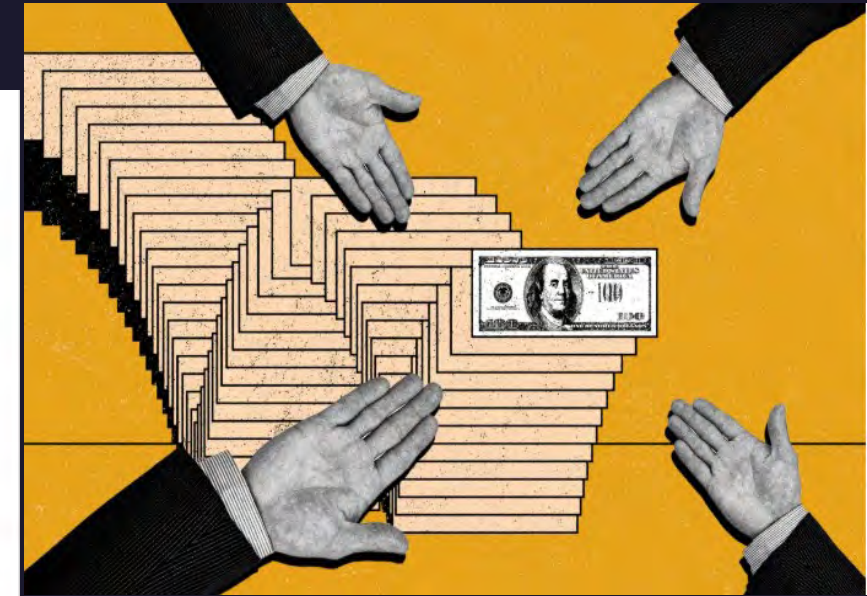
Current Flood Map (NGVD29)



FEMA Preliminary Map (NAVD88)

Bayview Park Itemized Construction Estimated Cost

Area	Items	Quantity	Itemized cost (\$)			Total cost (\$)		
			Estimated	Actual	Difference	Estimated	Actual	Difference
Buildings	Bathroom, Pro-Shop, Maintenance Storage	1				\$1,200,000.00		\$1,200,000.00
Demo	Existing Bathrooms & Utilities	1			\$0.00	\$150,000.00		\$150,000.00
Playground	New Equipment, flexi-pave, Shade Sails	1			\$0.00	\$150,000.00		\$150,000.00
Exercise	Park Horses or Fitness Court	1			\$0.00	\$150,000.00		\$150,000.00
Ball Field	Including Fencing & Permitting	1			\$0.00	\$1,125,000.00		\$1,125,000.00
Bandshell	Repairs-Paint	1			\$0.00	\$30,000.00		\$30,000.00
Splash Pad	Including Fencing Around Perimeter	1			\$0.00	\$1,000,000.00		\$1,000,000.00
Utilities	Electrical, Sewer, Plumbing	1			\$0.00	\$500,000.00		\$500,000.00
Re-surface Tennis	2-Court Complex	1			\$0.00	\$50,000.00		\$50,000.00
Basketball	Demo, 6" Reinforced Concrete, Fencing, & Court Surfacing	1			\$0.00	\$125,000.00		\$125,000.00
Tennis Court	Demo & Replace	1			\$0.00	\$60,000.00		\$60,000.00
Bleachers		1			\$0.00	\$60,000.00		\$60,000.00
Misc. Concrete	Sidewalk Repairs from utilities runs	1			\$0.00	\$100,000.00		\$100,000.00
Tree, Landscaping, Grass	Tree Pruning, Re-grade, additional landscaping	1			\$0.00	\$150,000.00		\$150,000.00
MISC	Benches, Picknick tables, Bleachers, Bike Racks, Trash Receptacles	1			\$0.00	\$35,000.00		\$35,000.00
Irrigation	New Irrigation System	1			\$0.00	\$85,000.00		\$85,000.00
Other		1				\$0.00		\$0.00
Subtotal			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,910,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,910,000.00
Contingency (add 20% estimated)			\$0.00			\$982,000.00		
Total costs			\$0.00			\$5,892,000.00		



Project Cost Estimate



**Moving
Forward....Questions**



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1300 White Street
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Meeting Agenda Full Detail

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Thursday, July 24, 2025

5:00 PM

City Hall

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Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Approval of Agenda

Public Comments

Approval of Minutes

1 May 22, 2025

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

Reports

2 Director's Report

Attachments: [Q3 FY25 Budget to Actual - Parks Rec](#)

[Q's 1 2 3 FY25 Budget to Actual - Parks Rec](#)

[Facility Reservation by Facility April-June 2025](#)

[Facility Usage Report](#)

Presentation

3 Bayview Park

Attachments: [Updated Bayview Park Presentation](#)

Action Items

- 4 Withdrawn by Staff: Recommend the approval of the purchase and installation of artificial Turf at Pepe Hernandez Field for \$987,738.00 via the Sourcewell Contract without formal competitive procurement under Sec 2-797 (3) Purchases and acquisitions under contracts of federal government, the state or its political subdivisions, and governmental purchasing cooperative programs.

Attachments: [Resolution](#)

[Cover Letter](#)

[Quote](#)

[AstroTurf Contract 031622](#)

[031622-AST - Price Information](#)

[Letter of Opposition & KWHS Baseball Records:80 Years](#)

Legislative History

5/22/25	Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	Postponed
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Discussion Items

- 5 Field Use Agreement Regarding Private Individuals/Citizens

Board Member Comments**Adjournment**