



Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 6, 2022

Re: Report – Indian Hills Park Capital Improvement Projects

Executive Summary

At the May 16, 2022 City Council meeting, Council member Karl Skala made a request for a report detailing capital improvement projects completed at Indian Hills Park. Since the initial passing of the Park Sales Tax in 2000, park staff has completed two major capital improvement projects at the park and are currently in the construction phase on a third project at the park. Along with these three capital improvement projects, staff has also completed two additional improvement projects at the park in 2006 and 2021. The total estimated cost of the projects completed at the park is \$265,000.

Discussion

Indian Hills Park, totaling 40 acres, is located at 5009 Aztec Boulevard and includes three playgrounds, 0.85-mile gravel surface walking trail, baseball field, dog park, basketball court, 18-hole disc golf course, one small shelter, three single-table shelters and parking lot. Since the passing of the Park Sales Tax in 2000, the park has had two capital improvement projects completed at the park, a third project currently under construction and staff has completed two smaller improvement projects at the park.

Indian Hills Park Capital Improvement Projects:

1. As part of the 2010 Park Sales Tax ballot issue, staff completed a capital improvement project at the park that included development of amenities on the east side of the park and improvements to the park off the Aztec Boulevard entrance. The project was approved by City Council on March 15, 2010 and total project funding was \$130,000. The development of the east side of the park included a new playground, two one-table shelters and a cul-de-sac at the west terminus of Sandrock Drive. Staff also constructed a 1.9-acre dog park adjacent to the Aztec Boulevard parking lot on the east side of the park.





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2. As part of the 2015 Park Sales Tax ballot issue, staff completed a capital improvement project that focused on improvements to the east side of the park. The capital improvement project was approved by City Council on February 6, 2017 and total project funding was \$100,000. The capital improvement project to the park included:
- Staff replaced the existing set of swings at the northeast playground and added new drainage, playground mulch and concrete curbing.
 - Contractor labor was utilized to install a second playground structure on the east side of the park. The new playground is designed for children ages 2-5 years old and was requested by citizens during the public improvement process. Park staff installed a new ADA connecting walkway to the playground, curbing and mulch to complete the playground installation.
 - Park staff utilized contract labor to replace approximately 530' of gravel trail with concrete trail to reduce gravel trail washouts, improve ADA access and improve maintenance access to the park. The concrete trail provides access to the dog park, small shelter, basketball court, restroom and new playground.
 - Park staff installed LED lighting at the Aztec Boulevard parking lot and walkway leading to the small shelter.
 - Park staff completed restroom facility improvements including replacement of restroom fixtures, installation of LED lighting, roof replacement and painting.
 - Park staff converted the infield of the existing baseball/softball field from a soil infield to ag-lime infield to improve year-round playability.
 - Park staff installed a new one-table shelter and rules signage at hole #1 of the disc golf course. This was a request by disc golfers to assist with small tournaments and league play.
 - Park staff installed new ADA parking at the Aztec Boulevard parking lot and ADA accessible walkways to the existing playground and basketball court from the small shelter.



3. Staff is currently working on improvements to the basketball court at the park. The project was approved by City Council on October 4, 2021 and total project funding is \$25,000. This project is an annual park improvement project with funding provided by the 2015 Park Sales Tax. The project includes an asphalt overlay of the existing basketball court, new court striping and installation of new basketball goals. Staff anticipates that the project will be completed by June 10, 2022.



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Along with these three capital improvement projects, park staff also completed two additional projects at the park since 2000. In 2006, park staff constructed the 0.85-mile gravel perimeter trail at the park. Park staff also installed new Innoova disc golf baskets on the disc golf course in 2021.



The next scheduled project to be completed at Indian Hills Park is the replacement of the playground structure in the northwest corner of the park. This playground structure was vandalized beyond repair and had to be removed by staff. Park staff will purchase a new playground structure this fall and complete installation by summer 2023.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: The total estimated cost of the projects completed at Indian Hills Park since 2000 is approximately \$265,000.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Safe Neighborhoods, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:



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Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility,
Tertiary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities

Legislative History

Date	Action
3/15/10	B56-10 – Authorizing the construction of improvements at Indian Hills Park; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division. http://gocolumbiamo.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=195&meta_id=13350
2/6/17	B13-17: Authorizing construction of improvements at the Indian Hills Park to include renovations to the existing playgrounds, restroom, baseball field and disc golf course, construction of an ADA compliant walkway and the installation of parking lot lighting; calling for bids through Purchasing Division. https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2933624&GUID=7CACD5CB-F910-4E8E-9218-1C475E2AF2B0&Options=&Search=
10/4/21	REP73-12: Administrative Public Improvement Project: Indian Hills Park Basketball Court Improvements. https://gocolumbiamo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5153944&GUID=AEE94CDA-0656-422C-B689-ACFCF7F47F05&Options=&Search=

Suggested Council Action

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