

2019-2020 BUDGET QUESTION
Response to Request for Information

DEPARTMENT(S): Parks and Recreation

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REQUEST: Does the City Manager's proposed budget contain funds to accomplish the recommended improvements in the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities' [Resolution No. 20180810-3B](#)?

RESPONSE:

PARD plans to begin construction of the replacement Zilker Maintenance Barn facility to be located on Columbus Drive during FY2020. Because the project will require installation of a new wastewater line along Columbus Drive, it would not be cost effective to implement improvements to Columbus Drive and nearby roads prior to the completion of the Maintenance Barn's construction. PARD's current cost estimates and budget include funding to repair damage to the road caused by the wastewater line's installation. The Department will price alternative options to improve the surface condition of the affected road and the others discussed in the recommendation. These options are currently unfunded.

PARD is open to input and recommendations to improve signage for traffic control at the intersection of Columbus Drive and William Barton Drive. Signage improvements could be funded through the FY2020 Proposed Budget.

PARD has a long history of accessibility compliance and inclusion. PARD adopted the ADA Transition Plan in 2016, and continues to make on-going efforts to provide access to properties as well as programs and services. The efforts include accessibility-specific improvement construction projects, providing adaptive equipment, alternate means of communication, and mandatory annual training to staff, as well as creating permanent staff positions to assist in the inclusion of all citizens to PARD programs and facilities.