

Jan 2016- May 2017 Status Report to PARB

Holly Shores Master Plan Implementation Working Group of the Parks and Recreation Board

Presented by Working Group Members Jane Rivera and Michael Casias

May 22, 2017

Working Group Initiation and Charge

- August 28, 2014 – Council adopts Holly Shores/Edward Rendon Sr. Park at Festival Beach Master Plan
- Council directs priorities for Phase I Improvements, including new sidewalks, ADA accessibility, improve restrooms.
- Funded Project Budget \$3.0 Million (2012 Bond + APF \$100k + AE \$400k for screening)
- **December 9, 2014 – Working Group formed to guide the implementation of the Master Plan.**

The 2016 Holly Shores Master Plan Implementation Working Group consisted of the following Parks and Recreation Board members:

- January 2016 – December 2016 – Michael Casias, Jane Rivera
- January 2017 – May 2017 – Michael Casias, Jane Rivera

Part I - Annual Review (January 2016 - December 2016)

- 1. Provide a brief summary of the work of the Working Group during the past year including a list of its activities and achievements.**

Prior to 2016:

February-November 2015- Eight (8) Working Group Meetings, including 3 Community outreach meetings- Study Areas Identified, Initial scope defined consistent with Council, staff budget presented

2016 Key Milestones:

January –November 2016- Six (6) Working Group Meetings, including 4 Community Outreach meetings- Budget drafts presented to community; revisions to scope in response to community input; implemented Phase I projects and Phase II projects studied.

April 12, 2016- Initiated meetings with Camacho center and staff to expand the boat storage to accommodate neighborhood residents access and use to store shared canoes, kayaks and paddleboards.

April 26, 2016- Open Working Group meeting and Community Session- review all Phase I scope, including AE wall design, and solicit community input for repurposing of Holly Power plant buildings.

May 24, 2016- Initiated extensive review of why Nash Hernandez Building adaptive reuse has not occurred.

June 16, 2016- Final Budget Submitted (attached)

September 8, 2016- Working Group helps draft Council Resolution directing staff to initiate RFP for portion of Holly Power Plant; Council resolution passes unanimously.

Nov 16, 2016- Memo from Former Director Sara Hensley removing staff support from Working Group

Staff Progress Since November 2016:

May 2017- Area 3 - Complete Schematic Design

June 2017- Area 1 (Festival Beach) Construction begins

August 2017- Area 6 Complete Schematic Design

Final Phase I Projects Scope based on Council direction and Community input

1. Martin Park and Pool

- ☐ Accessible Restroom Addition/Upgrade and Mural Restoration
- ☐ Pool and Playground Shade
- ☐ Additional Picnic Areas with Tables and Grills
- ☐ Accessible Sidewalks and Crosswalks

2. Metz Park

- ☐ Improvements to Basketball Court and Bike Hockey Arena
- ☐ Establish Connection to Holly Power Plant Area

3. Fiesta Gardens

- ☐ Remove Fencing and Add Metal Picket Fence for Rental Venue
- ☐ Storage Facility for Camacho Recreation Center Programming and shared community storage
- ☐ Add Picnic Tables and Benches
- ☐ PARD to Contract with Fence Vendor for Temporary Fencing

4. Festival Beach/ West End

- ☐ Add Accessible Sidewalk to Access Hike and Bike Trail
- ☐ Add Accessible Picnic Tables and Benches

5. Holly Power Plant/Lakefront Trail

- ☐ Hike and Bike Trail Connection
- ☐ Overlook Improvements including Rails and Accessibility

- ☐ Wall Removal/Connections to Surrounding Parks
- ☐ Explore Programming Possibilities for Site

6. Holly Sub-Station Screening

- ☐ Utility Screening
- ☐ Mural Restoration/Recreation

Phase II Working Group Project Recommendations to PARB for Action

7. Holly Power Plant/Lakefront Trail

- ☐ PARB recommend to Working Group, Staff and/or Council to continue exploring opportunities to joint venture with APF or other public service nonprofits for rehabilitation of the Holly power plant buildings to meet the following community needs: training, art classes, skills training, etc. Programming should focus on nearby and underserved community. Service providers and vendors should include those from neighborhood.
- ☐ PARB recommend to Working Group, Staff and/or Council to continue exploring programming opportunities to provide services to community related to use of fishing pier, water access, fields. Programming should focus on nearby and underserved community. Service providers and vendors should include those from neighborhood.

8. Festival Beach

- ☐ PARB recommend to Working Group, Staff and/or Council to review design for Boathouse improvements to accommodate neighborhood needs for paddleboard and canoe storage. Neighborhood residents willing to contribute funds to accomplish.

- ☐ PARB recommend to Working Group, Staff and/or Council to continue exploring opportunities to joint venture with APF or other public service nonprofits for rehabilitation of the Festival Beach buildings to provide more public access and amenities. Programming should focus on nearby and underserved community. Service providers and vendors should include those from neighborhood.

9. Nash Hernandez Building

- ☐ PARB recommend to Working Group, Staff and/or Council to terminate Option to APD due to failure to pursue
- ☐ PARB recommend to Working Group, Staff and/or Council to explore Opportunities with APF or other Public Service nonprofits for rehabilitation of the building for community uses, including meeting space, classroom space, concessions. Programming should focus on nearby and underserved community. Service providers and vendors should include those from neighborhood.

Other Working Group Recommendations

Full Board Recommendation that Staff update the Working Group on Phase I projects for assistance from Working Group.

Full Board Recommendation to either restores staff support to Working Group or transfer Phase I/II contract oversight directly to Contracts and Concessions Committee.