

## **Recommendation for Council Action**

## **AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL**

Regular Meeting: August 30, 2018 Item Number: 060

## **Parks and Recreation**

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Parks and Recreation Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20170913-001) to increase appropriations by \$1,300,000 for the Shipe Neighborhood Park Pool Renovation. Related to Items #53 and #61.

District(s) Affected: District 9

Lead Department	Parks and Recreation Department
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$1,300,000 is available in the FY2017-18 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department. A fiscal note is attached.
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## **Additional Backup Information:**

In 2014, the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) completed the Aquatic Master Plan which identified Shipe Pool as a critical pool. A critical pool is defined as a pool that is in danger of functionally failing within the next five years. At that time, the pool was leaking and required immediate repairs in order to remain in a functional condition. The pool was closed for the 2017 and 2018 swim seasons due to the pool's condition. A delay in awarding this contract will impact construction work and the schedule to reopen for the 2019 swim season.

This is an active park and the neighborhood is supportive of the project and eager for project completion. This project consists of the demolition of the existing pool and construction of a new neighborhood pool facility and all associated equipment. This scope includes renovation of the pump house, new masonry restrooms, a lifeguard room, shading structures, infrastructure and utility work, interior lighting, sidewalks, and pool decks. PARD conducted public outreach meetings during the design phase including on-site open houses and several in-person neighborhood association meetings. PARD will continue to provide ongoing updates to the community.

The project site is bounded by Avenue G and 44th Street, with a mosaic wall and a historic structure and heritage oak trees at its western edge. Along 44th Street, the site is limited due to overhead power lines. Along Avenue G a right-of-way vacancy was requested to allow for the development to extend eastwards towards Avenue G. The southern edge of the project site is limited due to a flood plain and the mosaic art piece at the existing pump house. The location of the existing pump house will remain as the mosaic is attached to the walls. By beginning work now, staff anticipates the pool can be open in 2019 before the swimming season starts.