

Budget Direction for Safety Lighting in Parks:

Each park and recreation facility in the City's park system has a unique combination of stakeholders, needs, and uses. The City budget includes \$115,000 in ongoing funds to provide for the installation of approximately five new lights per year. To align allocated funds with community needs, City staff are directed to engage stakeholders, including advocacy groups, school representatives, and community members, to produce a plan for prioritizing the installation of new lighting in City parks and recreation centers.

Staff are directed to meet and work cooperatively with stakeholders to address the following factors related to the development of this plan:

- Current funding requirements and sources for lighting installation and operational costs;
- What, if any, additional funding would be necessary to meet future lighting needs;
- Data sets to be used when analyzing lighting priorities;
- Criteria for determining appropriate lighting types for every park or facility;
- Prioritization of parks and facilities in need of new lighting;
- Sustainable solutions to demonstrated need;
- Measures of success and satisfactory progress; and
- Other relevant considerations to achieve satisfactory outcomes.

These engagement opportunities should promote the following outcomes:

- A common language surrounding park lighting needs and considerations;
- Interaction designed to inform stakeholders of the City's obligations and procedures, as well as to inform staff of community needs and desired outcomes;
- Shared expectations of priorities, timelines, and results; and
- Increased trust in relevant decision-making processes for parks and recreation centers.

Staff will report to the Parks and Recreation Board on the engagement process and the development of the parks lighting prioritization plan, to include detail on parks lighting funded and installed by the City at the end of FY18, the details of how many lights the City expects to fund in FY19, and information on funding needs for future Fiscal Years.