



CITY OF MARTINEZ

PARKS, RECREATION, MARINA & CULTURAL
COMMISSION

DATE: August 17, 2010
TO: Parks, Recreation, Marina & Cultural Commission
FROM: Mitch Austin, Recreation Manager
SUBJECT: Grant Subcommittee Report

RECOMMENDATION

- Recommend re-submitting original Proposition 84 grant if not funded in the first round of grant considerations.
- Recommend submitting a new grant for Proposition 84 funds to address needs at Ferry Point Park and Fishing Pier.
- Recommend forgoing selection of a Measure WW project until fall of 2011 for submission in spring of 2012.

BACKGROUND

The Grant Subcommittee is recommending forgoing the project selection period this spring for Measure WW funds pending the outcome of Proposition 84 round two grant funding. If the grant(s) are awarded for the submitted projects then further consideration of items on the project list can occur for the remaining funding sources. However, if the Proposition 84 grant(s) are not awarded these projects would be in serious consideration for Measure WW grant funding. Allowing one more year for submission of a Measure WW project does not jeopardize our funds. They are secure and do not have to be spent until December 31, 2018 per our contact with East Bay Regional Parks. Given this recommendation the Grant Subcommittee has focused their efforts on identifying a new project for the second round of Proposition 84 grant funding.

In an effort to narrow the projects down for Proposition 84 grant application consideration a chart showing which projects were eligible for grant funds and to what degree the funds could pay for 100% of the project was compiled. The project list shown in **Attachment A** shows the projects broken into two main categories. Those currently being reviewed and possibly funded by Proposition 84 funds this fall and projects still being considered for other funding sources. Each project shows relative to the potential funding source which are eligible for that source and whether the project could potentially be fully funded using that source of funds. Three columns are shown, one for Measure WW funding, one for Proposition 84 funding and one for Measure H funding. The chart clearly shows the golf course purchase and Ferry Point Park/Fishing Pier as the prime candidates for Proposition 84 funding.

The Grant Subcommittee reviewed this chart and is making a recommendation on which project(s) should be submitted for the second and final round of Proposition 84 funding. The improvement of Ferry Point Park and Fishing Pier was selected for the following reasons:

- The funds available could completely fund improvements to Ferry Point Park and renovation of the Fishing Pier for a complete project.

- The fishing pier's infrastructure is declining and will need major repairs in the near future.
- A broad spectrum of Martinez residents would benefit from improvement to these areas.
- The project is highly competitive based on the grant criterion.
- The golf course maintenance could pose a burden to the Park Maintenance fund.

The conceptual recommendations for Ferry Point Park and Fishing Pier made by Phil Ciaramitaro would be incorporated in the extensive outreach process to further shape and prioritize how the funds would be spent. Also as part of the grant process further evaluation and cost estimation of the pier repairs would be performed so funds can be prioritized and budgeted for improvements.

The Grant Subcommittee is also recommending resubmission of the first grant effort if it is not funded. Staff will contact the State Grants Office and inquire about how to make the grant more competitive if not awarded. Then Staff would come back to the Commission with further recommendations for modification of the grant.

Attachment A – Project List

Projects List

Attachment A

Meas WW – 1.65 Million Prop 84 – 5 Million Meas. H – Less than 4 million

Priority	Project	Measure WW Eligible/100% Cost	Prop. 84 Eligible/100% Costs	Measure H Eligible/100% Cost
	Zocchi Improvements* {Provided long term use could be established)	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes (income eligibility)	Yes/Yes
	Ferry Point Park and Fishing Pier Improvement	Yes/No	Yes/Yes (income eligibility)	Yes/Maybe
	Golf Course Purchase	Yes/No	Yes/Yes (park acreage)	Yes/No
	Methodist Church near Nancy Boyd Park (if available)	Yes/Yes	No/No	Yes/Yes

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	Amphitheater Upgrades	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes
	Multi Sports Field Improvement at Waterfront Park	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes
	Waterfront Park Paths of Travel	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes
	Old Train Depot Renovation	Yes/Yes	Yes/Yes	No/No