

Action Brief
ACC Board of Directors

Open Session Agenda Number **8A**

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MEETING DATE	January 28, 2026
AGENDA ITEM	Liberty Bell Park Facilities Master Plan Project
RECOMMENDATION	Approve the list of recommendations from the Liberty Bell Park FMP Working Group and direct staff to obtain quotes for the proposed improvements

LINKAGE TO STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Operational Excellence - Manage community resources with care and pride
- Fiscal Stewardship - Maintain an assessment rate with low volatility

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

Fiscal Impact	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Notes		

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION/ACTIVITY:

May 25, 2022	The Facilities Master Plan Committee (FMPC) provided a presentation of project recommendations. A study session was requested for June to further examine the FMPC recommendations for consideration at the July 27 meeting.
June 29, 2022	Presentation to the Board and discussion of the recommended projects with questions and comments from those in attendance.
July 27, 2022	Approval of the accepted FMP project recommendations as presented by majority vote.
April 26, 2023	The board voted by majority to remove Hastings Field project from the Facilities Master Plan and secondarily take the Liberty Bell project under advisement for further discussion.
January 24, 2024	The Board approved staff executing the contract to design the pickleball courts and not include the restrooms, which was a separate FMP project.
February 26, 2025	Discussion only agenda item – possible action March 26, 2025
March 26, 2025	The Board discussed Board passed by majority vote an amended motion to bring back a stand-alone agenda item for discussion only focused on exploring improvements to Liberty Bell Park, engaging residents about their project ideas to ensure it remains kid and family-centric and fleshing out the scope of work.
October 22, 2025	Discussion only agenda item
November 19, 2025	Direct staff to form a working group that will provide a set of recommendations for the Board to consider at the January 2026 meeting

ISSUE SUMMARY/DESCRIPTION

During the October Board meeting, the Board discussed the general parameters of the Liberty Bell Facilities Master Plan Project and received an update on the public outreach efforts, including the results of the online survey.

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During the November meeting, staff recommended the formation of a working group, similar to the group formed for the Dog Park with the deliverable being a list of recommendations for Board consideration.

Director Mark Barbee and Director Barb Patterson, staff and four residents met three times in December to discuss options and develop recommendations. In the end, the group coalesced around the attached plan. Thank you to all of the working group members that participated and showed eagerness to improve the park.

There is \$500,000 in Enhancement funds budgeted for this project. Depending on the desired improvements, there are also Reserve funds available.

SUGGESTED MOTION

I move to approve the list of recommendations from the Liberty Bell Park FMP Working Group and direct staff to obtain quotes for the proposed improvements.

ATTACHMENTS

- Liberty Bell Working Group List of Recommendations