

Summary Description of Measure J Commission Recommended Street and Capital Improvements for Fiscal Year 2012-2013

Street Improvements - \$3,000,000:

Street improvements are generally performed three ways based upon the severity of the deterioration within the roadway: slurry seal, overlay, and reconstruction. Staff provided the Measure J Commission lists of the highest priority street improvement projects at an estimated total cost of approximately \$3.3 million. Each list has a combination of all three types of repair to take geographic consideration into account in order to maximize the efficiencies of the project, and to spread out the repair work amongst the three levels of deterioration to have repairs strategically span the strata of situations. It is hoped that bidding efficiencies will bring the final cost down to the recommended budget level of \$3 million.

Other Capital Projects:

Pavilion Kitchen Equipment Replacement - \$14,000:

The commercial appliances in the Pavilion are in need of replacement. With the exception of the ice machine, replaced this year, all other appliances are the original equipment installed in the 1970's and is not adequate to meet the needs of our clients who rent the facility for various special events throughout the year.

Desert Highland Light Poles / Fixture Replacement - \$80,000:

The ball field at Desert Highland Park is missing three light poles. Currently, the existing light poles do not provide sufficient lighting to allow for night games to be played.

Repair Swim Center Deck - \$161,000:

The Swim Center deck has become a potential safety hazard due to "chipping" and "cracking" in various areas around the pool, especially on the south side. Staff has been "patching" areas, but some problems are becoming too large for adequate maintenance.

Ruth Hardy Park Security Path Lighting - \$50,000:

Currently, there is minimal night lighting in the park, except for the tennis courts and basketball courts. This request will provide for "path lighting" in walk way areas. It appears that at one time there were lights throughout the park as there are pedestals with poles, but no light fixtures. Prior to any light fixture installation, the appropriate lighting specialists will be consulted to provide an optimal plan for Council's approval.

Desert Highland Small Parking Lot Repairs - \$40,000:

Staff submitted a grant application for CDBG funding to repair the parking lots at Desert Highland and was awarded \$98,635. However, the total cost to repair the lots is \$138,146. Therefore, an additional \$40,000 is required to complete this project. These lots have deteriorated to the point that they are mostly gravel.

Dog Park Improvements - \$10,000:

The Dog Park is heavily used and endures a significant amount of wear and tear year-round; morning, afternoon, and evening. This year, repairs occurred with the fencing, a water spigot, and turf over-seeding. In addition a "temporary dog park" for the 6-7 week reseeded period will be created when the park behind City Hall must be closed.

Sidewalk Replacement in Parks Citywide - \$80,000:

Sidewalks in city parks are in need of repair. Some are broken/cracked, trap water, and may become safety/trip hazards.

Demuth Park – Softball Field Wiring Replacement - \$40,000:

This wiring project will re-wire ballpark lighting for fields 1-4. The existing wiring is deteriorated and subject to shorting out and replacement is recommended.

Demuth Community Center – Gymnasium Floor Repairs - \$40,000:

The gymnasium floor at Demuth Community Center is failing due to excessive use and age – "cracking" and "peeling" in sections of the floor. Also, it may become a safety hazard impacting programs held in the gym such as youth and adult basketball and off-track camps.

Sunrise Park Water Valve Replacement - \$50,000:

When the water plumbing was originally installed, it was done in a manner where water for the entire complex must be shut off in order to perform a repair. The replacement of these valves will remedy the situation allowing uninterrupted water use in the rest of the complex while repairs take place in a specific building or field irrigation line.

Demuth and Ruth Hardy Parks – Parking Lot Repairs - \$165,000:

The parking lots at Demuth Park and Ruth Hardy Park are in need of repair due to large cracks throughout the lots. A combination of overlay and slurry seal will be utilized for the repairs.

Stadium Fencing Repairs - \$20,000:

The fencing at the Palm Springs stadium is in significant need of repair. It is damaged in the outfield and outside behind home plate. Not only has the fence become unsightly, staff is concerned that in some portions it may become a safety hazard.

Replace 20 Trees – Palm Canyon, Indian Canyon, and Sunrise Park - \$125,000:

This is for the replacement of palm trees that were not damaged by wind storms and covered by insurance, but were over the years victims of insect, wind, vehicle damage, age and decay.

Village Green – Electric Meter Panel Replacement - \$25,000:

The electrical panels are extremely old, barely operational and continually require repairs. Moreover, replacements parts for these existing meter panels are no longer available.

Downtown / Uptown Crosswalks - \$150,000:

With increased retail and restaurants in the Uptown Historic Design District area of North Palm Canyon, crosswalks will provide additional convenience and safety for pedestrians who are crossing the street. Two are planned to be installed and the existing crosswalk improved.

Light Poles – Raise Footings – Citywide - \$150,000:

The City has 35 light poles in various parking lots which are extremely vulnerable to damage from vehicle collisions. Raised cement footings protect these lights/poles which can cost between \$8,000 - \$10,000 to replace and require significant order time to reinstall.

Traffic Signal Installation – Sunrise at Ralph’s Center Drive - \$300,000:

A new traffic signal would enhance safety for pedestrians and vehicular traffic at this busy entrance to the Ralph’s Shopping Center on Sunrise. This project might possibly be funded by County Measure A funds – in which case Measure J funds would be returned to the unallocated capital projects account.

Lighting – Replace Uptown Underground Electrical – Phase One - \$100,000:

Old and failing, the current electrical system on Palm Canyon from the downtown to uptown needs to be replaced as it cannot take any additional electrical loads. Work in the Historic Uptown Design District would be completed here, in Phase One.