



is to build new courts at Hillcrest Park as outlined in the City Parks plan from 2015. They would have 1 permanent tennis court, 2 non-permanent pickleball courts and 1 dedicated basketball court.

The second proposal is resurfacing the current tennis/basketball court at Greene Acres Park, the third proposal is to paint pickleball lines on existing Clovis High School tennis court and the fourth proposal is to put temporary lines on the existing Clovis High School tennis courts.

She asked if the city has applied for any grants and what can they do to get things moving. Commissioner Madrid advised they would have to speak to the schools to use their tennis courts.

Ms. Burroughes advised she received the email from Diane Ventura and the grant funding sources she suggested would not work for what they are looking at. They have been looking at other grants and there is a pickleball grant that Next 50 Initiative has. It is for up to \$150,000 and opens in February 2022. They can apply for that if that is the pleasure of the parks board and city commission. The USA Pickleball Grant Program will assist in reimbursing for equipment, but the city cannot apply for it.

Mr. Salguero asked how many members they have. Ms. Marshall advised they have 20 active players and the number is larger when there is no school.

Commissioner Palla advised they have her full support on this. She loved the idea of Hillcrest or Greene Acres and would love to see pickleball and tennis courts. Ms. Burroughes advised they could look at Hillcrest Park to see what it would cost to put one there. They have previously asked Griego's for a cost to resurface and it was around \$20,000 a year or two ago.

Mr. Hooper advised there was a volleyball court on the corner of the YRB. He asked what size they needed and could possibly use it temporarily. Ms. Marshall advised she would email Mr. Hooper the size they need.

Mr. Martin asked if the tennis courts at CCC were still being used. Ms. Melinda Coslett advised they had permission from the college 5-6 years ago to use the courts and put up temporary tape. The next day they went back and it had all been removed so they have not been back. Mr. Martin asked if they had an estimated cost on the first proposal. Ms. Marshall advised they didn't have any costs. Mr. Martin advised Hillcrest would give them a little more room.

Ms. Pellegrino-Spear advised it would be in their best interest to move forward with the grant. Mr. Howalt advised they could move forward based on the conversation since this was not an action item. Ms. Pellegrino-Spear asked if this was a seasonal sport. Ms. Marshall advised they play all year round as long as it's at least 45 degrees. Their goal is to have tournaments here.

## **Agenda Item No. 6 – Updates on parks projects**

### **Guy Leeder light pole**

Mr. Hooper advised in one of the recent wind storms a light pole was blown over at Guy Leeder and it will cost \$20,000 to replace. They don't have the same lights so that pole will be LED and they will get as close as they can to matching.

The lights at Beachum Field have been installed and he will meet with Mr. Williams to get him password permissions. The company that installed the lights gave him a quote for new lighting at Guy Leeder which would cost \$350,000 without installation.

#### Bleacher thefts

The bleachers from Ned Houk Park and Lockwood were stolen. The quote to replace them is just under \$25,000. Ms. Pellegrino-Spear asked if the light pole and bleachers were covered under the city's insurance. Mr. Hooper advised they have filed on those and the police are actively pursuing the bleachers.

#### Potter Pool resurfacing

To resurface Potter Pool it would cost between \$75,000 and \$125,000.

#### Pool climbing wall

They are looking into installing a climbing wall at Potter Pool, but they cost around \$20,000.

#### Roy Walker bleachers

They are making the bleachers at Roy Walker automatic. The first quote was for \$59,000.

#### Dennis Chavez Park

The playground equipment at Dennis Chavez Park has been installed and they should be back to put in the rubber mulch in the next week or so. He would like to schedule a ribbon cutting once it is completed.

Commissioner Burns asked about the lights that are out at Hillcrest Park. Mr. Hooper advised some belong to Xcel and some are the city's. Commissioner Burns advised the west side where the old zoo entrance was are out. Mr. Hooper advised he would look into them.

Commissioner Madrid asked if they have looked into handicap swings for wheelchairs. Mr. Hooper advised they are available, but they don't have any. He advised he would look into it. Mr. Howalt advised they would have to make sure it was accessible so they would have to look at replacing the sand/mulch at whichever playground they decided to install them at. He advised they have additional capital outlay funding for new playgrounds so they could look into it.

Commissioner Palla advised she received an email about improvements to the skate park. Ms. Burroughs advised the skate park is something they have been working on for a couple of years. Various pieces of the park have been stolen. They can apply for grant funding, but they have to

have a design first and the cost of a design is around \$14,000. Mr. Howalt advised a lot of the companies that design also want to build them. They are looking for grant funding to do a design/build.

Commissioner Palla advised the cost to replace all of the things that have been stolen would have paid to fix a swimming pool or built a pickleball court. Ms. Burroughes advised it was extremely frustrating to spend money on things for the community and then to have it stolen. Mr. Martin advised they may want to look into ways to track the new equipment if this keeps happening. Ms. Burroughes advised they know who has taken them, but they are selling them for money so they are being destroyed. Mr. Howalt advised they could look into concrete pieces instead for the skate park and how to secure bleachers. Ms. Burroughes advised parks has faced challenges as well with people stealing things from the restrooms.

Ms. Pellegrino-Spear asked if they have seen an increase in thefts. Mr. Hooper advised they are not seeing an increase, it is just something that is ongoing. They are doing their best to secure things, but they can only do so much. Mr. Martin advised if they had some type of tracker on the equipment at the skate park it might help.

Ms. Burroughes advised graffiti has also been a challenge. The ERT division and parks are doing a great job of keeping up with that.

#### **Agenda Item No. 7 – For the good of the order**

Ms. Gates advised they hoped to have the old 4H building for the museum early in the year but because of funding it may be the end of the year before they get anything done. Ms. Burroughes advised they were contacted by Curry County who are having the same situation with their new building and the cost of construction.

Commissioner Elliott asked for an update on the shooting range. Mr. Howalt advised they were supposed to wrap up the punch list and they are now working with Nick Griego on additional alterations. Once that PO is back it will take 2 weeks to complete the revisions to the high and low houses. They have tables and chairs, desks, various equipment, etc, so they are very close.

#### Next meeting date & time

The next meeting will be February 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

#### Community Easter Egg Hunt

Ms. Burroughes advised the city is working on the Community Easter Egg Hunt and are looking for funding assistance. It will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at Guy Leeder Softball Complex. If anyone would like to contribute, they can contact Ms. Reyes at the City Manager's office.

#### Arbor Day

Ms. Burroughes advised at the last commission meeting they approved applying for a tree planting grant and they are now waiting to hear back. If they receive the grant, they would like to do the tree planting on Arbor Day. Mr. Howalt advised if they don't receive the grant, they will still plant a tree.

#### Great American Cleanup

Ms. Burroughes advised the cleanup will be at 500 Sycamore on May 7, 2022. They can contact Mr. Hooper at Parks & Recreation to sign up.

#### Grant updates

Ms. Burroughes advised they are still waiting to hear back on the Land Water Conservation Fund for the Goodwin Trails project. The youth summer program is underway. Staff is meeting with her regarding many grants that they are reviewing.

#### **Agenda Item No. 8 – Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.