

# CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: May 22, 2025

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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON CIVIC CENTER PARK PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS  
(PROJECT NO. CFA00011)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive an update on the current design and progress of the improvements planned for Civic Center Park Playground.

## **BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

In Fiscal Year 2024-25, the City of Palm Desert (City) allocated funding to renovate and improve accessibility at Civic Center Park Playground. The focus of this project is to replace the uneven concrete around the playground. This project will eliminate trip hazards and provide a new, flat surface. In addition, the existing playground had become outdated, lacked accessible play features, and included equipment that had been removed due to damage.

To address these issues, the City contracted with Michael Baker International, Inc., to develop plans for concrete removal and replacement, and to design and install new play structures and surfacing. Landscape enhancements will also be incorporated as part of the project.

Staff is presenting the proposed improvements to City Council prior to finalizing project designs and initiating the construction bid process. An informational presentation of the proposed concepts was also provided to the Parks and Recreation Committee on May 6, 2025.

## **Legal Review:**

This report has been reviewed by the City Attorney's Office.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact associated with this presentation, as no formal action is being taken at this time. Funds for this project are included in the approved Public Works Capital Improvement Project (CIP) List for Fiscal Year 2024-25. The following table illustrates current funding and expenses for this project:

<i>Description</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Contract/Expense</i>	<i>Balance</i>
4004674-4400100	\$1,725,000		
A48830 Design – Michael Baker		\$48,445	
Public Outreach		\$405	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,725,000</b>	<b>\$48,850</b>	<b>\$1,676,150</b>

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Presentation