

CITY OF REDONDO BEACH

Budget Response Report #23

June 11, 2019

Question:

What is the status of identifying alternative locations for skatepark amenities and what are the projected costs to implement one or more skatepark amenities?

Response:

On October 10, 2017, the City Council gave staff direction to investigate the feasibility of installing a skatepark in Dominguez Park. Funding for this project was included in the FY 2018-19 capital budget in the amount of \$50,000. On July 10, 2018, the City Council approved a contract with Geo-Advantec, Inc. in the amount of \$19,800 for geotechnical investigation to determine the suitability of the site for development. In August 2018, four exploratory soil borings were drilled at the proposed skatepark location that identified a 1 to 3 feet capping layer of silty sand followed by a mix of landfill waste to approximately 40 feet below ground surface. Based on the geotechnical investigation, building a skatepark at this location is feasible, however significant and costly design and construction considerations indicate that a skatepark in the Dominguez Park location remain a long-term consideration and that alternative sites be explored for both cost and feasibility of construction. Approximately \$30,000 remains in the project fund.

City staff has conferred with Mr. David Bernier, a local skate boarding proponent, geologist and experienced skatepark designer and developer, regarding other City-owned locations that could be explored for siting a skatepark or skatepark amenities. Mr. Bernier has indicated that for any investment made by the City in the development of a skateboard park amenity there is interest from the skateboarding industry as well as major private donors to sponsor and/or contribute to the production of one or more skateboard park amenities. The locations currently under consideration, planning-level cost estimates, descriptions of the specific skateboarding amenity for each and example images of the amenity types are as follows:

1. Perry Park, 2301 Grant Avenue.
 - a. Concrete entry plaza and stairs (at Grant Avenue)
 - b. Street plaza skate features
 - c. \$25,000-\$40,000



2. Czuleger Park, terminus of Diamond St. (at Catalina Avenue)
 - a. Western end of park, hardscape plaza above Pier garage
 - b. Street plaza skate features
 - c. \$25,000-\$40,000



3. Lilienthal Park, 2481 190th Street (SCE right of way)
 - a. Land parcel between playground equipment and public restroom, or along existing bike path
 - b. Skatable public art and or street plaza skate features
 - c. Would require permission from Southern California Edison
 - d. \$25,000-\$65,000



4. Franklin Park, 807 Inglewood Avenue
 - a. Pre-existing concrete pad
 - b. Bowl with possible transitions/half-pipe
 - c. \$100,000-\$250,000



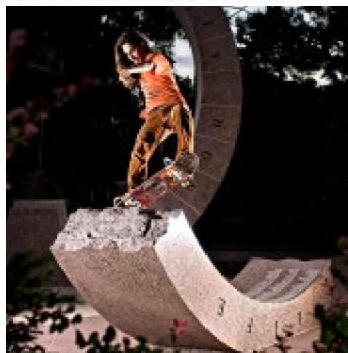
5. Anderson Park, 2229 Ernest Avenue
 - a. Land parcels at ball field fence line
 - b. Bowl with possible transitions/half-pipe
 - c. \$100,000-\$250,000



Street Plaza concept. Rails, augmented existing curbs and edges.



Skateable public art concept. Commissioned artwork.



Bowl concept. Transitions and pipes could be incorporated.

