

Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals

Directions: The Pima County Bond Advisory Committee adopted criteria for project inclusion. For each resubmitted and new bond project proposal, please answer how the project meets the criteria below. If certain criteria do not apply to the project, please answer not applicable. The total response for each project should be no longer than two pages in Arial size 11 font. Please do not submit exhibits or attachments. The completed form should be e-mailed to Deseret.Romero@pima.gov on or before July 15, 2013.

Project Name: PR 28 Lincoln Park Improvements

1. Broad Demonstrated Support by Public:

The Lincoln Park master plan was developed based on a series of well attended public meetings. The park is heavily used and serves as a regional facility for the east side of the Tucson community.

2. Has Regional Public Benefit:

Lincoln Park is a regional park on the east side of Tucson. Existing facilities include two 4 field softball complexes, concession building, 2 soccer fields, a performing arts/special event facility (Children's Outdoor Performance Area), the southern segment of Atturbury Greenway, Clements Pool, a covered basketball court, ramadas and restrooms. The scope of the bond project includes sport field development that helps to address a regional shortage of fields.

3. Partnerships:

Ward IV: The annual Back to School Bash Event. This event attracts over 2000 participants and provides free school supplies for hundreds of elementary school age children. This event utilizes the outdoor basketball court and Children's Outdoor Performance Area (COPA) in Lincoln Park.

Tucson Audubon Society: Planted 1000 trees in Lower Lincoln as part of the recent Water Restoration Project in the Atturbury Wash. The Water Restoration project was a grant project funded by the Arizona Water Protection Fund. This Grant was funded for \$380,000 and focused on mitigating erosion and re-vegetation in the Atturbury Wash and it's floodplain in Lincoln Park. Over the six years of working on this restoration project, the Tucson Audubon Society developed a strong working partnership with the Tucson Parks & Recreation Department. As a result of this relationship with TAS, bird watching and nature walks have become popular activities in Lincoln Park.

Lincoln/Groves Neighborhood Association: Members volunteer numerous hours weekly to maintain the Michael Lyman-Atturbury Wash Animal and Bird Sanctuary, located along the east section of Lincoln Park.

Tucson Invitational Games: This is an annual collegiate event held during the month of March at both softball complexes using all 8 fields. There are approximately 2,000 female college athletes (softball players) who participate in this event. This event has a significant economic impact on the Tucson community.

CHET-SE – Home school Association: Annually utilize the soccer fields, softball fields (one complex, Julie Reitan Complex), Outdoor basketball court, outdoor volleyball courts and open park space for recreation. This group has become a responsible park stakeholder participating in park clean up projects.

Pima Community College, East Campus: Year round use of Atturbury Wash Greenway Path for fitness classes and a professional agency partner on numerous park projects.

United States Marine Corp.: Year round use of Lincoln Park for endurance training.

Sahuaro Baja: This is a youth Softball organization for girls 6yrs. – 18 yrs of age. This type of partnership has made the Lincoln Park Softball complex an integral part of youth softball for female athletes in Tucson.

USA Youth Sports and AYSO : These youth soccer leagues offered for boys and girls has made Lincoln Park one of the key sites for youth soccer in our community.

4. Other Funding Sources or Matches:

Lincoln Park is an impact fee eligible park. Previous phases of the park's development have been funded in part by impact fees. Impact fees continue to accumulate and will be brought to the project as supplemental funding.

5. Education and Workforce Training:

Not applicable.

6. Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation:

Reclaimed water is used for irrigation at Lincoln Park. Park development associated with this bond funded project will incorporate water savings through the use of water efficient irrigation design and a centralized control system that monitors flow, alerts staff to leaks and automates timed watering cycles. Landscaping will include drought tolerant plant material. New sports lighting is about 50% more efficient than older lighting systems and is automated to turn off and on based on scheduled use.

7. Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding:

Not applicable.

8. Phasing of Large Projects:

The scope of this proposed bond project furthers the build out of the Lincoln Park master plan. 2004 Pima County bond funds supported the development of a 4 field softball complex.

9. Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs:

The City of Tucson is committed to funding the on going operating costs associated with the proposed bond project.

10. Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project:

The proposed bond project is a capital improvement.