



MEMORANDUM

Date: December 11, 2014

To: Chairman and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

From: C.H. Huckelberry 
County Administrator

Re: **Total Proposed Bond Funding for Sports Field Lighting**

At the November 21, 2014 Bond Advisory Committee meeting there was confusion regarding sports field lighting proposals. There is one project called Regional Sports Fields and Lighting that includes the majority of the lighting projects. But there are also other projects that include sports field lighting in addition to non-lighting related improvements. In an attempt to provide the Committee the full picture of what is being requested for sports field lighting, I requested that County staff and park directors from the City of Tucson, Town of Oro Valley and Town of Sahuarita provide a list of all other projects that include sports field lighting, a description of the lighting (i.e. light 1 existing softball field) and the cost of that lighting. This information is compiled in the attached spreadsheet.

In total, \$30.4 million in bond funding is currently proposed for sports field lighting. This includes replacement lighting for 41 fields, lighting of 33 existing fields that are not currently lit, and the lighting of 49 newly proposed fields.

To clarify, I am not advocating for moving lighting out of some projects and into the regional project. I simply wanted the Committee to have a clear picture of the total lighting requests. It should be noted that the cost estimates provided by the two towns appear to be low, but this may be due the fact that the lighting improvements are part of larger projects and the allocation of soft costs may be reflected in the larger project costs. It should also be noted that, as part of the Regional Sports Field and Lighting project, the City of Tucson submitted an alternate list of lighting needs in case any of the projects on their original list are completed with alternative funding. This alternate list should only be used if a field on the primary list is completed with other funding. The alternative list does contain a lighting request for the Jesse Owens Park that is now a duplicate of what is proposed in the stand-alone Jesse Owens Park project. The duplicate lighting improvements will be removed from the alternate list once the Committee finalizes its recommendations.

Lighting sports fields is one of the most cost effective ways to expand the availability of fields to meet the demand.

CHH/dr

Attachment

c: The Honorable Chair and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors
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Chris Cawein, Director, Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation
Nicole Fyffe, Executive Assistant to the County Administrator
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Total Sports Field Lighting Requests for 2015 Bond Election = \$30.4 million
Includes Regional Sports Field Lighting project AND sports field lighting within other projects

Regional Sports Field Lighting Project

	Lighting System Replacements	Cost estimate
PC	Bud Walker Park – replace lighting system on 2 multi-purpose fields	\$ 585,000
COT	Freedom Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field	\$ 260,000
COT	Jacobs-Ochoa Park – replace lighting system on 1 soccer field	\$ 292,500
COT	Kennedy Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field	\$ 260,000
COT	Lakeside Park – replace lighting systems on 1 softball and 1 soccer field	\$ 552,500
COT	Lincoln Park – replace lighting systems on 4 softball	\$ 1,040,000
PC	McDonald Park – replace 4 baseball fields	\$ 1,040,000
COT	Menlo Park – replace lighting system on 1 soccer field	\$ 260,000
PC	Mike Jacobs Sports Park – replace lighting on 1 field	\$ 260,000
COT	Murrieta Park – replace lighting systems on 3 softball and 1 baseball field	\$ 1,040,000
COT	Palo Verde Park – replace lighting system on 1 multi-purpose field and 1 baseball	\$ 552,500
COT	Rudy Garcia Park – replace lighting systems on 1 softball, 1 little league, and 1 soccer field and 1 baseball	\$ 1,072,500
COT	Santa Rita Park – replace lighting system on 1 softball field	\$ 260,000
PC	Thomas Jay/Littletown park – replace lighting systems on 2 baseball fields	\$ 520,000
PC	Three Points Veteran’s memorial – connect existing lighting on 3 fields to central controller	\$ 780,000
COT	Fort Lowell - replace lighting at 2 multi-purpose fields	\$ 585,000
New lighting for existing fields		
PC	Arthur Pack – light 3 multi-use fields	\$ 877,500
PC	Brandi Fenton memorial Park –add lighting to 1 field	\$ 292,500
PC	Bud Walker – add lights to 1 multi-purpose field	\$ 292,500
COT	Columbus Park – install lighting systems on 2 little league fields	\$ 520,000
COT	Golf Links Park – install lighting system on 1 soccer field	\$ 292,500
COT	Jacobs Park – install lighting systems on 2 multi-purpose fields	\$ 585,000
PC	Mike Jacobs Sports Park – add lighting to ancillary facilities (parking lot, Fun Spot)	\$ 260,000
COT	Mission Manor Park – install lighting system on 1 little league field	\$ 260,000
COT	Murrieta Park – install lighting system on 1 baseball field	\$ 260,000
PC	Northwest YMCA – light 2 softball and 1 soccer fields	\$ 812,500
COT	Palo Verde Park – install lighting system on 1 softball field and 1 multi-purpose field	\$ 552,500
COT	Rudy Garcia Park – install lighting system on 1 soccer field	\$ 260,000
COT	Purple Heart Park - install lighting system on 1 little league field	\$ 260,000
New lighting for new fields*		
COT	Freedom Park - construct 1 baseball field and 1 multipurpose field with lighting systems	\$ 552,500
COT	Jacobs Parks – construct 1 new soccer field with lighting system	\$ 292,000
COT	Rudy Garcia - construct 1 new softball field with lighting system	\$ 260,000
PC	Dan Felix - construct 1 new soccer field with lighting system	\$ 292,000

*Regional Sports Lighting project includes additional funding for actual field development, which is not reflected in these cost estimates.

Replacement	\$ 9,360,000
New lighting for existing fields	\$ 5,525,000
New lighting for new fields	\$ 1,396,500
Total cost estimate	\$ 16,281,500

Sports Field Lighting within Other Projects*

	Lighting System Replacements	Cost estimate
TOV	James D. Kriegh - replace lighting on 3 baseball fields	\$ 375,000
TOV	Riverfront Park - repurpose existing lighting for what will be 3 softball fields	\$ 320,000
New lighting for existing fields		
PC	Rillito Race Track – includes new lighting for 7 turf fields	\$ 1,400,000
PC	Lawrence Park Improvements and Pool – light 1 multi-use field configuration	\$ 450,000
COT	Fort Lowell Park - add lights to 2 existing little league/multipurpose fields	\$ 585,000
COT	Kennedy Park - light 1 baseball field	\$ 260,000
COT	Jesse Owens Park - light 1 existing multi-purpose field	\$ 292,500
COT	Purple Heart Park - light 1 existing softball field and 1 multi-purpose field	\$ 520,000
New lighting for new fields		
TOS	Quail Creek Veterans Municipal Park - light 2 proposed multi-purpose fields	\$ 550,000
TOS	North Santa Cruz Park - light 2 proposed multi-purpose fields & possibly 1 little league field	\$ 875,000
TOV	James D. Kriegh - light 1 proposed baseball field	\$ 125,000
TOV	Naranja Park - light 6 proposed multi-purpose fields	\$ 650,000
PC	Mehl Park – includes lighting for 1 proposed softball field	\$ 250,000
PC	SW Regional Sports Tournament Complex – includes lighting for 12 proposed turf fields	\$ 2,700,000
PC	Esmond Station Regional Park – includes lighting for 4 proposed fields (2 soccer, 2 softball)	\$ 900,000
PC	Pima Co. Softball Tournament & Recreation Park at Sports Park – light 2 proposed softball fields	\$ 450,000
COT	Fort Lowell Park - light 1 proposed baseball field	\$ 260,000
COT	Fort Lowell Park - light 2 proposed soccer fields	\$ 585,000
COT	Lincoln Park - light 4 proposed softball fields	\$ 1,040,000
COT	Joaquin Murrieta Park - light 3 proposed fields (T-ball, softball, little league fields)	\$ 650,000
COT	Udall Park - light 2 proposed soccer fields	\$ 585,000
COT	Jesse Owens Park - light 1 proposed multi-purpose field	\$ 292,500

*These other projects include additional non-lighting improvements, which are not reflected in these cost estimates.

Replacement	\$ 695,000
New lighting for existing fields	\$ 3,507,500
New lighting for new fields	\$ 9,912,500
Total cost estimate	\$ 14,115,000

Total Sports Field Lighting Requests for 2015 Bond Election

Includes grand total of all the projects listed above

Replacement	\$ 10,055,000
New lighting for existing fields	\$ 9,032,500
New lighting for new fields	\$ 11,309,000
Total cost estimate	\$ 30,396,500