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Parks & Recreation

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Michael G. McFarlane, Director
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Aamot
FROM: Michael McFarlane
DATE: March 24, 2022
RE: Six Year CIP 2021-2026

Attached are the descriptions for the two added items to the 6-yr CIP.

Hovander Park Tennant Lake Flood Repair and Mitigation Improvements

This project encompasses the restoration of Hovander Homestead Park and Tennant Lake. This parks infrastructure was heavily damaged in late 2021 storm events. Damage included park roads, several buildings, water and electrical systems, fencing, trails, topping levy, parking lots, irrigation, grounds and flower beds. Park staff is also working on proposals to raise two buildings above flood levels and removal of another from the site. Mitigation for levy repairs is undetermined at this time and will be addressed through the permitting processes.

Lookout Mountain Road & Culvert Repair and Mitigation Improvements

This project encompasses the replacement of an existing culvert. During late 2021 storm events, a small landslide in a narrow canyon occurred and materials flowed downstream eventually blocking a culvert on the main access road to Lookout Mountain. This blockage redirected stream flow down the road causing major damage and potentially cutting power and access to multiple communication sites. The culvert has been cleared and road repairs completed. Park staff is working with Department of Natural Resources and FEMA on potential replacement of the culvert and further road stabilization.