



***CITY OF CLAREMONT***  
***PARK IMPROVEMENT PLAN***



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## ***INTRODUCTION***

In April 2024, the City Council approved the 2024-26 City Council Priorities and Objectives document. One of the objectives was to develop a Park Facilities Improvement Plan that will:

- (i) Assess the age and condition of park facilities,
- (ii) Prioritize park facility improvements,
- (iii) Identify current and future sources of funding for proposed park facility improvement, and
- (iv) Outline a public engagement process for the development of park facility improvement projects.

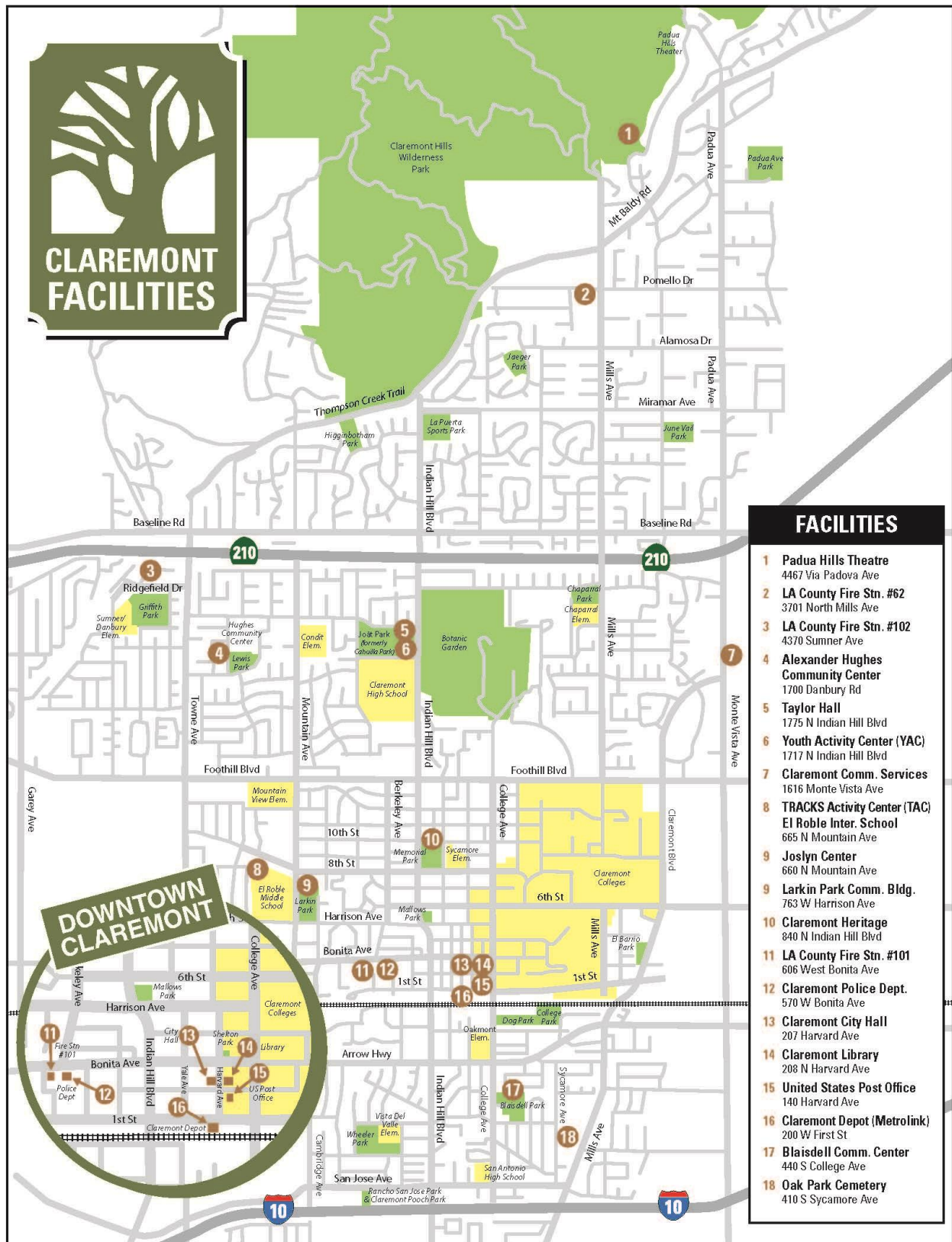
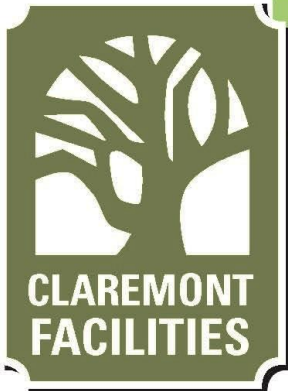
The Park Improvement Plan was developed by the Community Services Department in partnership with the Recreation and Human Services Department. City staff assessed each park and the amenities at each location. The focus of the assessments was to evaluate the age and condition of the amenities and to develop and prioritize park facility improvements. Staff focused on long-term amenities that require significant funding and resources. The amenities evaluated included:

- (i) playground equipment,
- (ii) restroom buildings,
- (iii) safety and security lighting,
- (iv) pedestrian pathways and parking lots (hardscape),
- (v) sports courts, and
- (vi) sports field lighting.

The assessment did not focus on maintenance items that are handled as part of routine maintenance; however, maintenance concerns were identified.

Once the priorities were established, staff developed a ten-year funding plan with anticipated fiscal year completion dates for proposed improvements. Staff anticipates re-evaluating the Park Improvement Plan on an annual basis to ensure completion of proposed projects and meeting community needs. Staff will continually identify additional funding sources, including grants to fully fund the Plan as well as future park improvements. The last item in the Park Improvement Plan is the implementation of an expanded community engagement process for park improvements. The new community engagement process was launched with the replacement project for the Lewis Park Playground. The community engagement process may be modified depending on the unique characteristics of each park and each project. Moving forward, staff will host at least two community meetings for each project, in addition to the approval process involving the Community and Human Services Commission and City Council.

The goal of the Park Improvement Plan is to develop a framework for prioritization and funding of park improvement projects over the next ten years. On an annual basis, staff will present to the Community and Human Services Commission an update on the progress of the plan. At the five-year mark, staff will present to the City Council the progress of the plan and any necessary changes or recommendations.



## FACILITIES

- 1 Padua Hills Theatre  
4467 Via Padova Ave
- 2 LA County Fire Stn. #62  
3701 North Mills Ave
- 3 LA County Fire Stn. #102  
4370 Sumner Ave
- 4 Alexander Hughes Community Center  
1700 Danbury Rd
- 5 Taylor Hall  
1775 N Indian Hill Blvd
- 6 Youth Activity Center (YAC)  
1717 N Indian Hill Blvd
- 7 Claremont Comm. Services  
1616 Monte Vista Ave
- 8 TRACKS Activity Center (TAC)  
El Roble Inter. School  
665 N Mountain Ave
- 9 Joslyn Center  
660 N Mountain Ave
- 9 Larkin Park Comm. Bldg.  
763 W Harrison Ave
- 10 Claremont Heritage  
840 N Indian Hill Blvd
- 11 LA County Fire Stn. #101  
606 West Bonita Ave
- 12 Claremont Police Dept.  
570 W Bonita Ave
- 13 Claremont City Hall  
207 Harvard Ave
- 14 Claremont Library  
208 N Harvard Ave
- 15 United States Post Office  
140 Harvard Ave
- 16 Claremont Depot (Metrolink)  
200 W First St
- 17 Blaisdell Comm. Center  
440 S College Ave
- 18 Oak Park Cemetery  
410 S Sycamore Ave



## ***PARK DESCRIPTIONS***

### ***MINI-PARKS / POCKET PARKS:***

A mini-park (sometimes referred to as a pocket park) serves the immediate neighborhood and typically occupies infill parcels. Mini-parks generally are no larger than one acre, address limited recreation needs, and offer fewer amenities.

### ***NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS:***

These parks are the basic unit of the City's park system. Neighborhood parks range in size from one to ten acres and generally accommodate spaces for informal activities and active recreation.

### ***COMMUNITY PARKS:***

These parks serve a broader purpose than neighborhood parks, and meet recreation needs for more formal and highly programmed activities.

### ***SPORTS PARKS:***

A sports park consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities at larger sites.

## MINI-PARKS / POCKET PARKS:

### El Barrio Park – 400 Claremont Boulevard

#### Amenities:

El Barrio Park has pedestrian pathways, a restroom building, playground, picnic area, basketball court, and wading pool. The playground equipment, installed in 2009, has a nature theme and consists of a larger play structure with double slides, monkey bars, and two climbing elements to access the platforms. The playground surfacing is fiberfill. Playground equipment shows normal wear. The basketball court was resurfaced in 2022 during the El Barrio Park project.



The restroom building has multiple stalls for both men and women and does not require replacement at this time.

#### Park Lighting:

The safety and security lights at El Barrio Park have been upgraded and replaced to new light standards and LED fixtures.

<i>El Barrio Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
<b>Sports Court</b>	Basketball: Resurface	2033-2034	\$ 20,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 20,000</b>

## Mallows Park – 520 N. Indian Hill Boulevard

### Amenities:

Mallows Park has pedestrian pathways, a restroom building, facilities building, and tennis court on site. The tennis court does not need resurfacing at this time.

The restroom building has multiple stalls for both men and women and does not require replacement at this time.



### Park Lighting:

Pedestrian pathways have one light fixture located behind the restroom building providing illumination for pedestrian pathways. All other portions of the pedestrian pathways have zero illumination.

The restroom building at Mallows Park has existing wall-mounted compact fluorescent light fixtures that have reached the ends of their useful lives. The lenses are discolored, and light output is minimal. Current average light levels at the restroom building are 0.02–0.3 foot-candles.

The facility building on site has no wall-mounted compact fluorescent light fixtures, creating zero illumination as you approach this building along the pedestrian pathway.

<i><b>Mallows Park</b></i>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Safety &amp; Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 4	Not Scheduled	\$ 35,000
<b>Sports Court</b>	Tennis: Resurface	2030-2031	\$ <u>25,000</u>
		<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b>\$ 60,000</b>

## Rancho San Jose Park – 660 W. San Jose Avenue

### Amenities:

Rancho San Jose Park has a playground area, basketball court, small pooch park, and pedestrian pathways. The playground equipment, installed in 2002, has one multi-use Little Tykes play structure with multiple slide options and access points. The play surfacing is a combination of fiberfill and pour-in-place, with entry to the structure. In the pour-in-place area, there is one spring rider. Playground equipment shows normal wear. Striping on the basketball court needs to be refreshed.



### Park Lighting:

Outdated safety and security lighting has been updated to LED; however, the fixtures have not been updated. The playground area has existing lighting with current average light levels of 0.05–1.5 foot-candles.

Pedestrian pathways have existing lighting. Current average light levels along the pedestrian pathway are 1.0–7.0 foot-candles. Existing light fixtures are appropriately placed; however the condition of the existing light fixtures and obstruction from trees prohibit the intended illumination from occurring.

<b>Rancho San Jose Park</b>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Playground</b>	Year Installed: 2002	2031-2032	\$ 250,000
<b>Safety &amp; Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 2	Not Scheduled	\$ 75,000
<b>Sports Courts</b>	Basketball: Resurface	2027-2028	\$ 20,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 345,000</b>



## Rosa Torrez Park – 800 W. First Street

### Amenities:

Rosa Torrez Park has a small parking lot, playground, and pedestrian pathways. The playground equipment, installed in 2007, has a train theme that children can climb through. In addition, the playground has a swing set with available toddler swings and a spring rider. The playground surface is combination of sand and pour-in-place. Playground equipment shows normal wear.



### Park Lighting:

The parking lot has existing light fixtures which provide adequate illumination levels. Current average light levels in the parking lot are 0.3–0.5 foot-candles.

Pedestrian pathways have existing lights covering the majority of the park's pedestrian pathways. Portions of the pedestrian pathway are lacking illumination, due to the location of light poles in relation to one another and obstruction from trees. Current average light levels along the pedestrian pathway are 0.3–0.5 foot-candles.

<i>Rosa Torrez Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Year Installed: 2007	2033-2034	\$ 250,000
Safety & Security Lighting	Priority: 5	Not Scheduled	\$ 75,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 325,000</b>

## NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS:

### Blaisdell Park – 440 S. College Avenue

#### Amenities:

Blaisdell Park has a parking lot, playground area, pedestrian pathways, basketball court, tennis court, T-ball field, picnic area and restroom building. The playground equipment, installed in 2019, includes two play structures—one inclusive play for 2–5-year-olds, and a structure for 5–12-year-olds. The 2–5 structure includes two slides and interactive play panels. The 5–12 structure includes multiple platforms and access points, with two slides and jungle gym equipment. The play area has a spinner and a swing set that includes an inclusive swing. The playground surfacing is a mixture of pour-in-place by the inclusive 2-5 play area and fiberfill.



The basketball court requires resurfacing, while the tennis court does not require resurfacing at this time. The baseball field requires regular maintenance to maintain the field and backstop area. There are many pedestrian pathways through the park area. Removal and replacement of pathway panels is required. Blaisdell Park has a dedicated parking lot that is also used for access to the Blaisdell Senior Center. Sections of the parking lot require resurfacing.

Blaisdell Park has a restroom building located just east of the playground and picnic area. The restroom building has multiple stalls for both men and women and is not recommended for replacement at this time.

#### Park Lighting:

The parking lot has one existing light fixture which does not provide adequate illumination for the size of the parking lot it is serving. Current average light levels in the parking lot are 0.10–0.14 foot-candles. Per Illuminated Engineering Society (IES) recommendations, the minimum maintained light level in parking lots should be 1.0 foot-candle.

Pedestrian pathways adjacent to the parking lot and leading to the basketball courts have existing lighting. However, pedestrian pathways leaving the restroom building heading towards the street do not have existing lighting, creating light levels of zero foot-candles. Current average light levels along these pedestrian pathways are 0.02–0.25 foot-candles.

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The restroom building at Blaisdell Park is located adjacent to the parking lot and the beginning of a pedestrian pathway. The restroom building has existing compact fluorescent wall-mounted lights on each side of the building, providing illumination at the approach to the restroom building. Current average light levels at the restroom building are 0.03–0.62 foot-candles. When a park visitor departs the restroom building heading to the street, light levels quickly reach zero foot-candles.

Existing light poles are placed in areas of the park which prevent the full use of the park's open grass area.

<i><b>Blaisdell Park</b></i>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Playground</b>	Year Installed: 2019	Not Scheduled	\$ 0
<b>Safety &amp; Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 2	2027-2028	\$ 200,000
<b>Pedestrian Pathways and Parking Lot Repairs</b>	Parking Lot and Pathway	2032-2033	\$ 125,000
<b>Sports Courts</b>	Basketball & Tennis: Resurface	2027-2028	<u>\$ 45,000</u>
		<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b>\$ 370,000</b>

## Chaparral Park – 1899 N. Mills Avenue

### Amenities:

Chaparral Park has a playground area and pedestrian pathway. The playground equipment, installed in 2008, has one play structure with a slide and various play elements. Additionally, the play area has a swing set with two swings. The play surface is a mixture of sand and pour-in-place, with pour-in-place adjacent to the structure and leading to the swing set. The play structure shows normal wear. The pour-in-place has areas recommended for repair. Removal of the sand is recommended for replacement with fiberfill.

The small playground area at the southeast corner of the grass area, just north of Chaparral Elementary School, is on School District property and is owned and maintained by the Claremont Unified School District.



### Park Lighting:

The playground area contains a small pedestrian pathway and one existing light fixture. The current average light levels at the playground are zero foot-candles.

<i><b>Chaparral Park</b></i>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Playground</b>	Date Installed: 2008	Not Scheduled	\$ 0
<b>Safety and Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 5	Not Scheduled	\$ <u>50,000</u>
		<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>



## College Park – 100 S. College Avenue

### Amenities:

College Park has two playground areas, a restroom building, three baseball fields, and pedestrian pathways. The playground equipment was installed in 1997. Ages 2–5 and 5–12 have separate play areas located next to each other. The play structure in the 2–5 area has multiple slide options and ground elements. The 5–12 area includes a multi-platform play structure with slide options and play panels, as well as a swing set. The playground surfacing is a combination of pour-in-place and sand. Play equipment is outdated and shows sign of wear and tear. The Claremont Pooch Park is located at the west entrance to the park.



College Park has three baseball fields, with sports lighting on Fields One and Two. The sports lights require updates to LED fixtures.

The restroom building is centrally located north of the playground and between Fields Two and Three. The restroom building shows signs of wear and tear, but does not require replacement or updates outside of regular maintenance.



There are two parking lots: one on the east side of the park located off Green Street, and the other located on the west side of the park off College Avenue, at the main entrance to the park. The parking lot off Green Street requires removal and replacement due damage over the years from tree roots. The parking lot on the west side requires additional maintenance, but does not appear to require full replacement. On the pedestrian walkways, there are lifts throughout the park that require removal and replacement.

### Park Lighting:

The safety and security lights at College Park have been upgraded and replaced to new light standards and LED fixtures.



<i>College Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 1997	2027-2028	\$ 500,000
Pedestrian Pathway and Parking Lot Repairs	Parking Lot and Pathways	2032-2033	\$ 350,000
Sports Field Lights	Baseball Fields	2029-2030	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 970,000</b>

## Griffith Park – 1800 Woodbend Drive



### Amenities:

Griffith Park has a parking lot, playground area, soccer fields, baseball fields, pedestrian pathways, and a restroom building. The playground equipment was installed in 2001, and two of the slides were replaced in 2024. The playground has one play structure that includes monkey bars and two different slide options and a swing set with two swings. The playground surfacing is a mixture of pour-in-place and fiberfill, with the pour-in-place leading to the play structure. There are sections of pour-in-place that need to be replaced.

Griffith Park has a grass area that is used for soccer and one baseball field. The restroom building was recently replaced with a pre-fabricated restroom in 2022.

There is one parking lot on the north side of the park that shows wear and tear. The parking lot does not require full replacement.

### Park Lighting:

The parking lot has existing light fixtures spread apart at great distances, preventing adequate light coverage. Existing light fixtures have reached the ends of their useful lives and need to be replaced. Current average light levels in the parking lot range from 0.05–0.5 foot-candles. Some areas of the parking lot have zero illumination. Per IES recommendations, the minimum maintained light level in parking lots should be 1.0 foot-candle.

The playground area at Griffith Park does not have existing lighting. The playground area relies on light spill from the pedestrian pathway for illumination. Current average light levels at the playground area are 0.1 foot-candles.



Pedestrian pathways have existing light fixtures; however, the fixtures are spread apart at great distances, leaving multiple areas along the pedestrian pathway with zero illumination. Current average light levels along the pedestrian pathway are 0.4–0.6 foot-candles.

The restroom and storage building do not have exterior wall-mounted lights, creating zero illumination as a park patrons approach the restroom building. The interior of the restrooms are adequately lit.

<i>Griffith Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 2001	2029-2030	\$ 350,000
Safety and Security Lighting	Priority: 3	Not Scheduled	\$ 200,000
Pedestrian Pathway and Parking Lot Repairs	Parking Lot	Not Scheduled	\$ 200,000
Sports Courts	Basketball: Remove and Replace	2024-2025	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 850,000</b>

## Higginbotham Park – 625 N. Mt. Carmel Drive



### Amenities:

Higginbotham Park has a playground area, pedestrian pathways, and restroom building. The playground was installed in 2008 by Landscape Structures Inc. The theme for the playground was a train setting in nature. Large mature trees cover the playground area. The train has several platforms with elements to crawl in, there are two toddler swings with a play panel setup, and there are three spring riders and two spinner elements. The play surfacing is a combination of pour-in-place by the

train structure, fiberfill where the toddler swing and play panels are located, and sand surrounding the spring riders and spin elements.

The restroom building is located just north of the playground and adjacent to the Thompson Creek Trail. The restroom building shows signs of wear and tear, but does not require replacement or updates outside of regular maintenance.

### Park Lighting:

The playground area has existing lighting. Existing light fixtures in this area are spaced apart at great distance, preventing adequate illumination. Current average light levels at the playground area are 0.23–0.1 foot-candles.

Pedestrian pathways have existing lighting. Existing light fixtures along the pedestrian pathways are spaced apart at great lengths preventing adequate illumination. Current average light levels along the pedestrian pathway are 0.1–0.6 foot-candles.

The restroom building at Higginbotham is located at the northernmost area of the park. There are two pole-mounted fixtures at the approach to the building that provide adequate light levels. Current average light levels at the restroom building approach are 5.0–9.3 foot-candles.

The easternmost and westernmost areas of the park lead to the Thompson Creek Trail. Illumination levels leaving Higginbotham Park and entering the Thompson Creek Trail at both locations are zero foot-candles.

<i>Higginbotham Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 2008	Not Scheduled	\$ 0
Safety and Security Lighting	Priority: 3	Not Scheduled	<u>\$ 125,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 125,000</b>



## Jaeger Park – Monticello Road and Sweetbriar Drive

### Amenities:

Jaeger Park has one pedestrian pathway leading a short distance to a playground. The playground, installed in 2004, has one large structure with different entrance and exit points. The structure includes a standalone pull-up bar, different climbing elements to enter the structure, monkey bars, and three different slide features. The playground area has two different swing sets, one set for toddlers and one for older children. The play structure shows normal wear and tear for its age. The playground surfacing is sand.



### Park Lighting:

The majority of the park is open grass area, and there are no existing lights. The one pedestrian pathway leaving the street and entering the park leading to the playground has zero illumination.

<i>Jaeger Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 2004	2032-2033	\$ 250,000
Safety and Security Lighting	Priority: 4	Not Scheduled	<u>\$ 35,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 285,000</b>

## June Vail Park – Grand Avenue and Bluefield Drive

### Amenities:

June Vail Park has a parking lot, playground area, soccer field, softball field and pedestrian pathways. The playground, installed in 1997, has two different play structures within the same area, one for ages 2–5 and the other for ages 5–12. The 2–5 area has one play structure with multiple entrances and a dual slide. The structure has wear and tear for its age. The 5–12 area has a larger play structure with three slides and interactive play panels. The area also contains a swing set. The playground surfacing is sand.

The restroom building shows signs of wear and tear, but does not require replacement or updates outside of regular maintenance.

There is a parking lot on the south side of the park. Current striping is no longer visible, and the parking lot needs to be repaved and restriped.



### Park Lighting:

The parking lot has existing light fixtures with current average light levels of 0.5–5.0 foot-candles. Roughly 80' into the parking lot is when light levels begin to rise above zero foot-candles. Multiple existing parking lot lights have missing or broken lenses requiring maintenance. Per IES recommendations, the minimum maintained light level in parking lots should be 1.0 foot-candle.

The playground area at June Vail Park does not have existing lighting. Current light levels at the playground area are zero foot-candles.

The pedestrian pathway and ADA-accessibility ramp do not have existing lighting. As a park patron leaves the parking lot heading towards the restroom building and grass area, light levels along the pathway are zero foot-candles.

The restroom building does not have wall-mounted lights at the entrance to the woman's or men's restrooms. There is a single, wall-mounted light located on the north side of the restroom building which faces the grass area and does not contribute illumination to the pedestrian walk path. Current light levels at the restroom building are zero foot-candles.

<i>June Vail Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 1997	2027-2028	\$ 400,000
Safety and Security Lighting	Priority: 3	Not Scheduled	\$ 75,000
Pedestrian Pathways and Parking Lot Repairs	Parking Lot and Pathways	2033-2034	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 625,000</b>

## Larkin Park – 660 N. Mountain Avenue

### Amenities:

Larkin Park has parking lots, a playground area, roque court, half-court basketball court, sports fields, restroom building, and pedestrian pathway lighting. The playground, installed in 1996, has one structure with limited play features and a separate swing set. The play equipment is outdated and needs to be replaced. The playground surfacing is sand.

The restroom building is currently closed. Due to the extensive nature of the required repairs, it would be necessary to replace the restroom completely.

The lighting for the softball fields and soccer fields (also used as lawn bowling greens) requires upgrading to LED.

There are two parking lots at Larkin Park. The first parking lot, with access from Mountain Avenue, serves the Joslyn Senior Center. The second parking lot is located on the east side of Larkin Park and is accessed from Harrison Avenue. Neither parking lot requires replacement at this time; however, both parking lots are showing signs of wear and tear.



### Park Lighting:

Larkin Park has existing parking lot and pedestrian pathway lighting. Per IES recommendations, the minimum maintained light level in parking lots should be 1.0 foot-candle.



Existing light fixtures within this park are either at or exceeding the life expectancy. Light fixture lenses have turned yellow, and some are broken. The playground area is located adjacent to the roadway, with current average light levels of 0.01–0.3 foot-candles. Pedestrian pathways leaving the street and entering the park have zero illumination.

<i>Larkin Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 1996	2025-2026	\$ 600,000
Restroom		2025-2026	\$ 300,000
Safety and Security Lighting	Priority: 1	2025-2026	\$ 300,000
Sports Field Lights		2030-2031	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,320,000</b>



## Lewis Park – 881 Syracuse Drive

### Amenities:

Lewis Park has a playground area, picnic area, soccer fields, basketball courts and pedestrian pathways. The existing playground was installed in 1996, with a new playground scheduled to be installed in spring 2025. The new playground manufacturer is KOMPAN, and playground surfacing will be pour-in-place.



The bathrooms are located immediately west of the 2–5-year-old playground. The restroom building includes single-stalls, which are old and outdated. There is no way to update the restroom building without complete removal and replacement.

Lewis Park has a grass area used for soccer, and there are three basketball courts—two located close to the Alexander Hughes Community Center and one located on the south side of the park. All basketball courts require different levels of repair or resurfacing.

### Park Lighting:

The playground area has three existing light fixtures with current average light levels of 0.3–0.6 foot-candles. Existing light fixtures in the playground area are obstructed by trees, prohibiting full light output.

Lewis Park has a dirt pedestrian pathway at the northernmost area of the park, which park patrons use for exercise. There are no existing lights along this path. Illumination levels at the dirt pathway are zero foot-candles.

<b>Lewis Park</b>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Playground</b>	Date Installed: 2025	Not Scheduled	\$ 0
<b>Restroom</b>		2031-2032	\$ 300,000
<b>Safety and Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 4	Not Scheduled	\$ 40,000
<b>Sports Courts</b>	Basketball: Resurface	2027-2028	\$ 20,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 360,000</b>

## Wheeler Park – 626 Vista Drive

### Amenities:

Wheeler Park has two playground areas, five pickleball courts, basketball court, wading pool, pedestrian pathways, and restroom building. The north playground equipment was installed in 2014; the south playground equipment was installed in 2016. The playground areas are distinct from each other and serve different areas of the park. The northern playground has several large structures with multiple slide options, jungle-gym-style play equipment, and a multi-age swing set. The playground surfacing is fiberfill. The southern playground area has a pirate-ship-themed structure with multiple slide options. Additionally, there is a multi-age swing set. The playground surfacing is a mixture of fiberfill and pour-in-place by the swings and structure.



The basketball court requires restriping and filling of surface cracks. There are many pedestrian pathways through the park area. Removal and replacement of pathway panels is recommended.



Wheeler Park has a restroom located just north of the pickleball courts. The restroom has multiple stalls for both men and women and does not require replacement at this time.

### Park Lighting:

The lights at Wheeler Park have been upgraded to new light standards and LED fixtures.

<i><b>Wheeler Park</b></i>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Playground</b>	Date Installed: 2014 (North), 2016 (South)	Not Scheduled	\$ 0
<b>Pedestrian Pathways and Parking Lot Repairs</b>	Pathways	2033-2034	\$ 100,000
<b>Sports Field Lights</b>		2031-2032	\$ 120,000
<b>Sports Courts</b>	Basketball & Pickleball: Remove and Replace (Basketball) Resurface (Pickleball)	2026-2027	<u>\$ 140,000</u>
		<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b>\$ 360,000</b>

## COMMUNITY PARKS:

### Joāt Park – Scripps Drive and Indian Hill Boulevard

#### Amenities:

Joāt Park has a parking lot, playground area, picnic areas, pedestrian pathways with existing lighting, restroom, tennis courts, the Dick Guthrie Skate Park, a basketball court, sports fields, Taylor Hall, and the Youth Activity Center (YAC). The playground equipment, installed in 2013, consists of a large playground area with a separate 2–5 area. The 2–5 area has a small play structure with dual slides and platform. The playground surfacing is fiberfill. The 5–12 play area has a large play structure with multiple entrances, zipline, and slide. The playground surfacing is fiberfill. In addition, there are two sets of swings and a small play area. The playground surfacing for this area is sand. The two softball fields and baseball field are leased to the Claremont Unified School District. The School District is responsible for maintenance of the fields and adjacent equipment.



The restroom has been recently replaced with a pre-fabricated restroom that has eight individual stalls. The walkways around the playground and restroom do not need replacement. Tennis courts do not require replacement at this time; however, resurfacing should occur and is a priority for future projects.

On the north side of the park, there is a parking lot that services Joāt Park. The parking lot needs to be removed and replaced, due to tree root intrusion and ongoing wear and tear. The area around Taylor Hall and the YAC requires extensive sidewalk work. The basketball court outside the YAC should be removed and replaced, due to damage that cannot be fixed by resurfacing.

## Park Lighting:

Within the parking lot, existing light poles are spread apart at great distances, preventing adequate light coverage. In addition, trees block the majority of the light being emitted from existing light fixtures. Current average light levels in the parking lot range from 0.01–0.07 foot-candles. Some areas of the parking lot have zero illumination. Per IES recommendations, the minimum maintained light level in parking lots should be 1.0 foot-candle.

Existing light fixtures surrounding the playground area are in poor condition and have exceeded their life expectancy. Lenses are missing, and lamps/ballasts need replacement. Some existing light fixtures are blocked by existing trees. Current average light levels surrounding the playground area are 0.03–0.3 foot-candles.

Pedestrian pathways at Joāt Park are illuminated by sports field lighting during evening activities. When sports field lighting is turned off, foot-candle levels along the pedestrian pathway are zero.

<i>Joāt Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 2013	Not Scheduled	\$ 0
Safety and Security Lighting	Priority: 1	2025-2026	\$ 350,000
Pedestrian Pathways and Parking Lot Repairs	Parking Lot and Pathways	2030-2031	\$ 500,000
Sports Courts	Basketball & Tennis: Remove and Replace (Tennis) Resurface (Tennis)	2025-2026	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000</b>



## Memorial Park – 840 N. Indian Hill Boulevard

### Amenities:

Memorial Park has a parking lot, playground area, picnic areas, pedestrian pathways with existing lighting, tennis court, basketball court, sports fields, sand volleyball court, wading pool, restroom, and the historic Garner House. The playground, installed in 1997, includes a small structure with multiple slide options, a play panel, and swing set. The playground surfacing is a mixture of pour-in-place by a slide and sand everywhere else. There is a large swing set by itself. The surfacing for the large swing set is fiberfill.



The restroom has multiple stalls for both men and women and does not require replacement at this time. The tennis court and basketball courts are in need of resurfacing.

### Park Lighting:

The safety and security lights at Memorial Park have been upgraded and replaced to new light standards and LED fixtures.

<i>Memorial Park</i>			
Amenity	Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Playground	Date Installed: 1997	2026-2027	\$ 400,000
Sports Courts	Basketball & Tennis: Resurface	2027-2028	<u>\$ 45,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 445,000</b>

## **SPORTS PARKS:**

### **La Puerta Sports Park – 2430 N. Indian Hill Boulevard**

#### **Amenities:**

La Puerta Park has a parking lot, restroom facility, soccer and softball fields, and pedestrian pathways. The sports fields have lighting that requires LED upgrades in the near future. The restroom does not need to be replaced or require upgrades at this time. The parking lot does not require replacement at this time, however, in the future the parking lot will require resurfacing.

#### **Park Lighting:**

The parking lot does not have existing parking lot lighting and relies on sports field lighting during evening activities for illumination. Current average light levels in the parking lot with sports field lighting on are 6.0–8.0 foot-candles. When field lighting is off, the parking lot has zero foot-candle illumination. Per IES recommendations, the minimum maintained light level in parking lots should be 1.0 foot-candle.

Pedestrian pathways within the park do not have existing lighting and rely on sports field lighting during evening activities for illumination. Current average light levels along the pedestrian pathway with sports field lighting present are 7.1–9.5 foot-candles.

Restroom/snack bar buildings at La Puerta Park are located at the west end of the pedestrian pathway near the parking lot and at the east end near the softball fields. The buildings have existing compact fluorescent wall-mounted lights on each side of the building, which provide illumination at the approach to the buildings. Current average light levels at the restroom/snack bar buildings with sports field lighting present are 6.1–8.5 foot-candles. As a park visitor departs from the restroom/snack bar buildings with field lighting off, light levels quickly reach zero foot-candles. In general, when sports field lighting is off, the park as a whole is dark.

<b>La Puerta Sports Park</b>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Safety and Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 2	2027-2028	\$ 150,000
<b>Sports Field Lights</b>		2031-2032	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 270,000</b>

## Padua Avenue Park – 4200 Padua Avenue

### Amenities:

Padua Avenue Park has a parking lot, restroom, soccer fields and pedestrian pathways. The upper soccer fields have sports lighting, while the lower fields do not. The sports lighting requires LED upgrades in the near future. The parking lot does not require repairs or resurfacing at this time. The restroom does not need to be replaced or require upgrades at this time.



As part of the Padua Avenue Park Master Plan, the area would be developed to include one softball field (lighted), two half basketball courts, tot lot/children's play area, water play area, and two lighted tennis courts. Furthermore, the parking lot would be expanded. The additional features at Padua Avenue Park have been unfunded.

### Park Lighting:

Padua Park is located within an area classified as "rural." This classification ensures that excessive light pollution does not occur, to preserve the natural essence of the area within the rural zone. Existing parking lot light fixtures produce adequate foot-candle levels in the majority of the parking lot as required by rural zone ordinances. However, the exit route from the parking lot to Padua Ave has foot-candle levels of zero. Multiple parking lot fixtures have missing or broken lenses, requiring repair as there is no protection remaining for the lamps. Current average light levels within parking lot are 0.01–0.8 foot-candles.



Pedestrian pathways have existing light fixtures along the pathway placed a great distance from each other, creating areas with zero foot-candles of illumination. Single-station exercise areas are located along the pedestrian pathway, some within these areas with zero foot-candles. Current average light levels along the pedestrian pathway are 0.01–0.8 foot-candles.

There is a portion of pedestrian dirt pathway along the northeast side of the park which adjoins the concrete pedestrian pathway. This pedestrian dirt pathway, used by park patrons, has no existing light fixtures and zero illumination for pedestrians.

The restroom and maintenance storage building at the far west end of the park has one compact fluorescent wall-mounted light fixture. This light fixture is obstructed by the trellis attached to the building, preventing light output. The primary light source for this building is spillover light from the pedestrian pathway lighting. Current average light levels at the restroom and maintenance building are 0.3–0.8 foot-candles.

<i><b>Padua Park</b></i>			
<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Playground</b>		2028-2029	\$ 600,000
<b>Safety and Security Lighting</b>	Priority: 3	Not Scheduled	\$ 225,000
<b>Sports Field Lights</b>		2025-2026	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
		<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 945,000</i></b>

## PARK FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES

Breakdown by Category	Amount
Playground Equipment	\$ 3,600,000
Restroom	\$ 600,000
Safety and Security Lighting	\$ 1,935,000
Pedestrian Pathways and Parking Lot Repairs	\$ 1,425,000
Sports Courts (Basketball, Tennis, Pickleball)	\$ 565,000
Sports Field Lights	\$ 600,000
Park Amenities	\$ 400,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 9,125,000</b>

Playground Equipment			
Park	Year Installed	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Larkin	1996	2025–2026	\$ 600,000
Memorial	1997	2026–2027	\$ 400,000
College	1997	2027–2028	\$ 500,000
June Vail	1997	2027–2028	\$ 400,000
Padua Avenue	N/A	2028-2029	\$ 600,000
Griffith	2001	2029-2030	\$ 350,000
Rancho San Jose	2002	2031-2032	\$ 250,000
Jaeger	2004	2032-2033	\$ 250,000
Rose Torrez	2007	2033-2034	\$ 250,000
Chaparral	2008	N/A	\$ 0
Higginbotham	2008	N/A	\$ 0
El Barrio	2009	N/A	\$ 0
Joāt	2013	N/A	\$ 0
Wheeler	2014 – North 2016 – South	N/A	\$ 0
Blaisdell	2019	N/A	\$ 0
Lewis	2025	N/A	\$ 0
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,600,000</b>



<i>Restrooms</i>		
Park	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Larkin	2025–2026	\$ 300,000
Lewis	2031–2032	\$ <u>300,000</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 600,000</b>

<i>Safety and Security Lighting</i>			
Park	Priority	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Larkin	1	2025–2026	\$ 300,000
João	1	2025–2026	\$ 350,000
Blaisdell	2	2027–2028	\$ 200,000
La Puerta	2	2027–2028	\$ 150,000
Rancho San Jose	2	Not Scheduled	\$ 75,000
June Vail	3	Not Scheduled	\$ 75,000
Griffith	3	Not Scheduled	\$ 200,000
Padua Avenue	3	Not Scheduled	\$ 225,000
Higginbotham	3	Not Scheduled	\$ 125,000
Jaeger	4	Not Scheduled	\$ 35,000
Lewis	4	Not Scheduled	\$ 40,000
Mallows	4	Not Scheduled	\$ 35,000
Chaparral	5	Not Scheduled	\$ 50,000
Rosa Torrez	5	Not Scheduled	\$ <u>75,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,935,000</b>

<i><b>Pedestrian Pathways and Parking Lot Repairs</b></i>			
<b>Park</b>	<b>Parking Lot / Pathways</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Joät</b>	Parking Lot and Pathways	2030–2031	\$ 500,000
<b>College</b>	Parking Lot and Pathways	2032–2033	\$ 350,000
<b>Blaisdell</b>	Parking Lot and Pathways	2032–2033	\$ 125,000
<b>June Vail</b>	Parking Lot and Pathways	2033–2034	\$ 150,000
<b>Wheeler</b>	Pathways	2033–2034	\$ 100,000
<b>Griffith</b>	Parking Lot	Not Scheduled	<u>\$ 200,000</u>
		<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b>\$ 1,425,000</b>

<i><b>Sports Field Lights</b></i>		
<b>Park</b>	<b>Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement</b>	<b>Anticipated Budget</b>
<b>Padua</b>	2025–2026	\$ 120,000
<b>College</b>	2029–2030	\$ 120,000
<b>Larkin</b>	2030–2031	\$ 120,000
<b>La Puerta</b>	2031–2032	\$ 120,000
<b>Wheeler</b>	2031–2032	<u>\$ 120,000</u>
	<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b>\$ 600,000</b>

<i>Sports Courts</i>			
Park	Court/Description	Anticipated Fiscal Year Replacement	Anticipated Budget
Griffith	Basketball: Remove and Replace	2024–2025	\$ 100,000
Joāt	Basketball & Tennis: Remove and Replace/Resurface (Basketball) Resurface (Tennis)	2025–2026	\$ 150,000
Wheeler	Basketball & Pickleball: Remove and Replace (Basketball) Resurface (Pickleball)	2026–2027	\$ 140,000
Blaisdell	Basketball & Tennis: Resurface	2027–2028	\$ 45,000
Rancho San Jose	Basketball: Resurface	2027–2028	\$ 20,000
Lewis	Basketball: Resurface	2027–2028	\$ 20,000
Memorial	Basketball & Tennis: Resurface	2027–2028	\$ 45,000
Mallows	Tennis: Resurface	2030–2031	\$ 25,000
El Barrio	Basketball: Resurface	2033–2034	\$ <u>20,000</u>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 565,000</b>

<i>Breakdown by Park</i>							
<i>Park</i>	<i>Playground Equipment</i>	<i>Restroom Buildings</i>	<i>Safety &amp; Security Lighting</i>	<i>Pedestrian Pathways &amp; Parking Lots</i>	<i>Sports Courts</i>	<i>Sports Field Lights</i>	<i>Total by Park</i>
<b>Mini-Parks / Pocket Parks</b>							
El Barrio					\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000
Mallows			\$ 35,000		\$ 25,000		\$ 60,000
Rancho San Jose	\$ 250,000		\$ 75,000		\$ 20,000		\$ 345,000
Rosa Torrez	\$ 250,000		\$ 75,000				\$ 325,000
<b>Neighborhood Parks</b>							
Blaisdell			\$ 200,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 45,000		\$ 370,000
Chaparral			\$ 50,000				\$ 50,000
College	\$ 500,000			\$ 350,000		\$120,000	\$ 970,000
Griffith	\$ 350,000		\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$100,000		\$ 850,000
Higginbotham			\$ 125,000				\$ 125,000
Jaeger	\$ 250,000		\$ 35,000				\$ 285,000
June Vail	\$ 400,000		\$ 75,000	\$ 150,000			\$ 625,000
Larkin	\$ 600,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000			\$120,000	\$1,320,000
Lewis		\$ 300,000	\$ 40,000		\$ 20,000		\$ 360,000
Wheeler				\$ 100,000	\$140,000	\$120,000	\$ 360,000
<b>Community Parks</b>							
Joāt			\$ 350,000	\$ 500,000	\$150,000		\$1,000,000
Memorial	\$ 400,000				\$ 45,000		\$ 445,000
<b>Sports Parks</b>							
La Puerta			\$ 150,000			\$120,000	\$ 270,000
Padua Avenue	\$ 600,000		\$ 225,000			\$120,000	\$ 945,000
<i>Various Park Amenities</i>							\$ 400,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,600,000</b>	<b>\$ 600,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,935,000</b>	<b>\$1,225,000</b>	<b>\$565,000</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>	<b>\$9,125,000</b>

## TEN YEAR FUNDING PLAN

Park Improvements are funded through Park Dedication Funds, Los Angeles County Measure A Funds, the General Fund, awarded grants, and donations. The Park Dedication Fund is used to account for revenues and expenditures relating to park improvements and construction. Revenues include park dedication fees resulting from new development. Measure A was approved by LA County voters in 2016. With the passage of Measure A, voters chose to continue their support for local parks and open space. Claremont receives from the County an annual allocation of Measure A funding to be used for local park improvements. As we move forward over the next ten years, the General Fund will allocate additional funding for necessary park improvements.

In the chart below, the City is projected to have approximately \$8.2 million in funding available over the next ten years.

### 10-YEAR ACCUMULATION OF RESOURCES BY FISCAL YEAR

	Budgeted 2024-25	Budgeted 2025-26	Forecasted 2026-27	Forecasted 2027-28	Forecasted 2028-29	Forecasted 2029-30	Forecasted 2030-31	Forecasted 2031-32	Forecasted 2032-33	Forecasted 2033-34
Beginning Resources Available	\$2,131,638	\$2,721,113	\$3,252,712	\$4,180,841	\$4,765,926	\$5,316,415	\$5,876,779	\$6,447,511	\$7,029,130	\$7,622,179
Resource Inflows										
Park Dedication Funds	\$327,000	\$261,000	\$649,000	\$297,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000
Measure A Funds	\$162,475	\$170,599	\$179,129	\$188,085	\$197,489	\$207,364	\$217,732	\$228,619	\$240,050	\$252,052
General Funds	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total Resource Inflows	\$589,475	\$531,599	\$928,129	\$585,085	\$550,489	\$560,364	\$570,732	\$581,619	\$593,050	\$605,052
Accumulation of Resources	\$2,721,113	\$3,252,712	\$4,180,841	\$4,765,926	\$5,316,415	\$5,876,779	\$6,447,511	\$7,029,130	\$7,622,179	\$8,227,231

The total estimated expenditures of \$9.1 million for the next ten years exceed the resources available by approximately \$900,000. To make up the difference, the City actively searches for available grant opportunities and partnerships. As individual projects are initiated and a scope of work is developed, the anticipated budget for each project may change. Due to those changes, projects may have to be delayed or moved based available funds. Finally, on the list of park improvements, there are projects that do not have an anticipated date due to a lack available funding. The City looks to expand funding sources through grants and partnerships, diversifying funding streams to fully implement improvements without sole reliance on City funds. City staff will actively pursue grant opportunities that align with community-identified park priorities. Those projects can be added as additional funding is available. That additional funding could come from grants, donations, and General Fund surpluses as determined by the City Council.



**10-YEAR SCHEDULE OF PROJECT COSTS BY FISCAL YEAR**

	Budgeted 2024-25	Budgeted 2025-26	Forecasted 2026-27	Forecasted 2027-28	Forecasted 2028-29	Forecasted 2029-30	Forecasted 2030-31	Forecasted 2031-32	Forecasted 2032-33	Forecasted 2033-34
<b>Beginning Resources Available</b>	<b>\$2,131,638</b>	<b>\$2,071,170</b>	<b>\$782,769</b>	<b>\$1,170,898</b>	<b>\$375,983</b>	<b>\$326,472</b>	<b>\$416,836</b>	<b>\$342,568</b>	<b>\$134,187</b>	<b>\$2,236</b>
Resource Inflows										
Park Dedication Funds	\$327,000	\$261,000	\$649,000	\$297,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000	\$253,000
Measure A Funds	\$162,475	\$170,599	\$179,129	\$188,085	\$197,489	\$207,364	\$217,732	\$228,619	\$240,050	\$252,052
General Funds	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
<b>Total Resource Inflows</b>	<b>\$589,475</b>	<b>\$531,599</b>	<b>\$928,129</b>	<b>\$585,085</b>	<b>\$550,489</b>	<b>\$560,364</b>	<b>\$570,732</b>	<b>\$581,619</b>	<b>\$593,050</b>	<b>\$605,052</b>
Resource Outflows										
El Barrio Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$20,000
Mallows Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$25,000	-	-	-
Rancho San Jose Park	-	-	-	\$20,000	-	-	-	\$250,000	-	-
Rosa Torrez Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$250,000
Blaisdell Park	-	-	-	\$245,000	-	-	-	-	\$125,000	-
Chaparral Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
College Park	-	-	-	\$500,000	-	\$120,000	-	-	\$350,000	-
Griffith Park	\$100,000	-	-	-	-	\$350,000	-	-	-	-
Higginbotham Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jaeger Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$250,000	-
June Vail Park	-	-	-	\$400,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$150,000
Larkin Park	-	\$1,200,000	-	-	-	-	\$120,000	-	-	-
Lewis Park	\$549,943	-	-	\$20,000	-	-	-	\$300,000	-	-
Wheeler Park	-	-	\$140,000	-	-	-	-	\$120,000	-	\$100,000
Joat Park	-	\$500,000	-	-	-	-	\$500,000	-	-	-
Memorial Park	-	-	\$400,000	\$45,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
La Puerta Sports Park	-	-	-	\$150,000	-	-	-	\$120,000	-	-
Padua Avenue Park	-	\$120,000	-	-	\$600,000	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Resource Outflows</b>	<b>\$649,943</b>	<b>\$1,820,000</b>	<b>\$540,000</b>	<b>\$1,380,000</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>	<b>\$470,000</b>	<b>\$645,000</b>	<b>\$790,000</b>	<b>\$725,000</b>	<b>\$520,000</b>
<b>Ending Resources Available</b>	<b>\$2,071,170</b>	<b>\$782,769</b>	<b>\$1,170,898</b>	<b>\$375,983</b>	<b>\$326,472</b>	<b>\$416,836</b>	<b>\$342,568</b>	<b>\$134,187</b>	<b>\$2,236</b>	<b>\$87,288</b>

## ***PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR FUTURE PARK FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS***

The City of Claremont piloted a community engagement process for the Lewis Park Playground Improvements project. The community engagement process included two community meetings and a survey to gather community input. The first community meeting was focused on gathering what the community wanted and didn't want for Lewis Park. From there, staff worked with two different playground manufacturers on unique designs for Claremont. Each playground manufacturer was able to design two different playgrounds within the project budget. At the next community meeting, staff presented each of the playground designs. Each participant was able to vote on the design they liked best.

Each park and each project will be different, given each park's unique features and requirements. Moving forward, staff will host at least two community meetings for each project. The first community meeting will be just to answer questions and start gathering community input specific to that park. From that first meeting, staff will determine the path for that project. For playground equipment replacements, staff will work with different playground designers and present different varieties for each of the replacements. The City of Claremont is committed to sustainable playground design. New play spaces will prioritize high play value for children of all ages and abilities by incorporating inclusive play principles, multi-age play equipment, nature play elements and engaging dynamic play structures.

For safety and security lighting, staff along with the City lighting consultant will present the lighting plan and fixtures for community input. After the community meetings, staff will initiate the formal approval process including the Parks, Hillsides, and Utilities Committee, Community and Human Services Commission, and City Council. The City is committed to ensuring Claremont's parks remain vibrant, exceptional, accessible, and well-maintained community spaces. Through strategic planning, sustainable investments, and community-driven design, Claremont parks will be designed to serve all residents while prioritizing environmental responsibility and long-term financial sustainability.

