



CITY OF POMONA

COUNCIL REPORT

June 5, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

Submitted By: Rene Guerrero, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2022-23 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET BY CREATING A NEW PROJECT, “CASILLAS BIKE PARK – GANESHA PARK” AND APPROPRIATING \$200,000 OF ARP (MAYORAL) FUNDING

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-86 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, TO AMEND THE FY 2022-23 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET BY CREATING A NEW CIP PROJECT, “CASILLAS BIKE PARK - GANESHA PARK,” PROJECT NO. 428-2590-XXXXX-71088, AND APPROPRIATING \$200,000 OF CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) (MAYORAL) FUNDING TO THE PROJECT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Adopting Resolution No. 2023-86 (Attachment No. 1) will create a new CIP Project, “Casillas Bike Park – Ganesha Park,” Project No. 428-2590-XXXXX-71088 (Project). It will also appropriate \$200,000 of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery American Rescue Plan (ARP) (Mayoral) funding to the Project. The Project will provide for the creation of a BMX-style bike park at Ganesha Park to be named in honor of Pomona Police Officer Gregory Casillas, who was killed in the line of duty on March 9, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Project will be funded with FY 2022-23 existing ARP allocation funding and will amend the FY 2022-23 CIP budget by increasing appropriations by \$200,000. It is likely that more funds will be needed to fully fund the Project.

The table below summarizes the fiscal impact of this action:

Project / Funding	“Casillas Bike Park – Ganesha Park,” Project No. 428-2590-XXXXX-71088
Beginning Budget	\$0
Appropriation of ARP (Mayoral) Funding	\$200,000
Ending Budget	\$200,000

PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:

On June 7, 2021, as part of the FY 2021-22 adopted budget, \$6.8M was budgeted for potential revenue loss, and the City of Pomona (City) accepted \$45.37M of ARP funds from the United States Department of the Treasury.

On September 20, 2021, the Mayor and City Council approved the \$45.37M City of Pomona ARP Expenditure Plan.

On June 6, 2022, the City Council approved the proposed ARP Policies and Procedures and adopted the FY 2022-23 budget.

On August 15, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-155 approving an update to the City of Pomona’s Expenditure Plan for ARP funding for FY 2022-23 and increased revenue estimates and appropriations in the amount of \$4,000,000.

DISCUSSION:

This Project will provide for the construction of a BMX-style bike park to be located in the southwestern portion of Ganesha Park near the intersection of Val Vista Street at Loma Vista Street. This bike park will be named in honor of Police Officer Gregory Casillas, who was killed in the line of duty on March 9, 2018.

Ganesha Park is the City's largest park and attracts people from all over the City. It is located near several Qualified Census Tracts (QCT) and is open and available to all. Ganesha Park has a large pool, a community center, and hiking trails that draw people from all over to participate in activities that enhance physical and mental health. The proposed bike park will be another element added to Ganesha Park that will provide for an activity that enhances physical and mental health, and will be the only bike park in the City of Pomona, and the only one in the local region. Guidance from the United States Department of the Treasury allows ARP funds to be used on park improvements within and outside a QCT, provided the improvements will serve a population that was disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. Treasury Guidance further recognizes that investments in parks, public plazas, and other public outdoor recreation spaces are responsive to the needs of disproportionately impacted communities by promoting healthier living environments and outdoor recreation and socialization to mitigate the spread of Covid-19.

While this list is likely not exhaustive, the website “Two Wheeling Tots” compiled a directory of all bike parks in the United States and lists only 49 bike parks in California (<https://www.twowheelingtots.com/kid-friendly-bike-park-pump-track-directory/>). This addition to Ganesha Park will honor Officer Casillas’s memory by providing the youth of Pomona, and anyone who chooses to utilize it, a unique way to get outdoors, exercise, socialize, and improve cycling skills.

COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:

This item supports the 2021-22 City Council Priority 5: Infrastructure: Invest resources in streets, sidewalks, parks, landscaping, water systems, and public facilities to enhance the economic development, public safety, accessibility, and beauty of the City.

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ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2023-86
Attachment No. 2 – CIP Project Details Sheet