



CITY OF IOWA CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

August 1, 2023

Resolution approving project manual and estimate of cost for the construction of the Mercer Park and City Park Court Renovation Project, establishing amount of bid security to accompany each bid, directing City Clerk to post notice to bidders, and fixing time and place for receipt of bids.

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Fiscal Impact: \$963,000 available in account #'s R4374 – Mercer Park Ball Diamond Improvements and R4391 – Tennis Court Renovations
Staff Recommendation: Approval
Commission Recommendations: Recommended by Parks & Recreation Commission at April 12, 2023 meeting.
Attachments: [Resolution](#)

Executive Summary:

This project generally includes removal and replacement of playing surfaces, drainage updates, removal and replacement of fencing, and the addition of a hitting wall at Mercer Park, as well as resurfacing, replacement of fencing, and the addition of hitting practice walls at City Park. Project originally included renovations of the Mercer Park Baseball Fields. The baseball complex renovations have been delayed in order to align with funding from the Iowa City Community School District. The baseball field project is now anticipated for the summer/fall of 2024.

Background / Analysis:

The tennis court surfaces, fencing and practice walls are deteriorating and require renovation for continued use.

Project Timeline:

Bid Letting Date: August 22, 2023

Contract Award Council Meeting Date: September 5, 2023

Construction Dates: September 2023 – Spring 2024