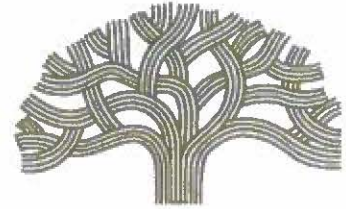


CITY OF OAKLAND

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission



AGENDA FOR SPECIAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2026

Time: 4:30pm

Location: Jack London Aquatic Center, 115 Embarcadero, Oakland, CA 94607

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Agenda Items

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum
 - Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Tran, Watkins, Whitmore
3. Modification of the Agenda
4. Disposition of Minutes
 - Draft minutes from special meeting on **September 16, 2026**.
5. Open Forum
 - Comment on all items not on this agenda will be taken at this time.
6. Measure Q Budget Update
 - *Meeting Agenda: Board of Supervisors, October 14, 2026*
 - **.Presentation on Parks Assessment Report (5 Attachments)**
7. New Business
 - 7A. REQUEST FOR MOSSWOOD TENNIS COURT NAME CHANGE: MOSSWOOD TENNIS COURTS TO THE TERRY STEWART MOSSWOOD TENNIS COURTS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING YOUTH TENNIS LEADERSHIP, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND INCLUSION.
 - 7B. REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (PRAC) TO SUPPORT THE FUTURE LEASE, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS OF OAK PORT FIELD BY OAKLAND UNITED A NON-PROFIT PLAY INFRASTRUCTURE ORGANIZATION.

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8. Continuing Business

- 8A. REQUEST FOR PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (PRAC) TO APPROVE THE RENAMING OF CESAR CHAVEZ PARK TO LA FAMILIA PARK AND FORWARD THE RECOMMENDSTION FOR CONSIDERATION TO COUNCIL FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

9. Planning and Conditional Use Permits (CUPs)

10. Update from the Director, Committees, and Announcements

11. Continuation of Open Forum

- All final comments on items not on this agenda will be taken at this time.

12. Adjournment

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Next Special PRAC Meeting

Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2026

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue

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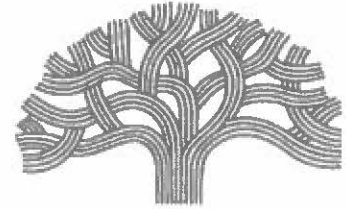
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CITY OF OAKLAND

Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission



DRAFT MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2026

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order: **4:42pm**
2. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum - Back to Roll Call at **5:29pm**
Alper, Barach, Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Read, Omolo, Thomas, Tran, Watkins, Whitmore

Present (6): Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Reed, and Whitmore (Arrived 4:58pm).
Remote (0): None.
Excused (3): Commissioners Alper, Tran, and Thomas
Absent (1): Commissioner Watkins.
Action: Quorum confirmed.
3. Modification of the Agenda – Starting with Item 5 – Open Forum, Item 6, Item 2, Item 4, Item 5, and Item 7.

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the modification.
Moved by: Commissioner Henderson
Seconded by: Commissioner Cervantes
Vote: Yes (5) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners Cervantes, Henderson, and Kos-Reed.
No (0)
Action: Motion Passed.
4. Disposition of Minutes
– Draft minutes from special meeting on **July 8, 2026**.

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the minutes.
Moved by: Commissioner Kos-Reed
Seconded by: Commissioner Henderson
Vote: Yes (6) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Reed, and Whitmore.

No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

5. Open Forum

– Comment on all items not on the agenda are taken at this time.

In-Person: 1
Remote: 2
Email: 32

6. Measure Q Update

– Monthly OPW Informational Report on Measure Q and Performance Measure Updates.
• Verbal Update and Presentation.

7. New Business

7A. Request for Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) to approve the renaming of Cesar Chavez Park to La Familia Park and forward the recommendation for consideration to council for final approval.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Vice Chair Omolo entertained a motion to approve the request.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Kos-Reed

Vote: Yes (6) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Reed, and Whitmore.

No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

7B. Request for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to approve the sale of the city-owned portion of Garfield Park to Oakland Unified School District for five hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$597,500.00) for the expansion of Garfield Elementary School.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the request.
Moved by: Commissioner Kos-Reed
Seconded by: Commissioner Cervantes
Vote: Yes (6) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners
Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Reed, and Whitmore.
No (0)
Action: Motion Passed.

- 7C. Request for the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to approve a gift-in-place donation for Forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000.00) from the Black Cultural Zone collaborative group for the installation of a culinary academy at Arroyo Viejo Recreation Center.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the request.
Moved by: Vice Chair Omolo
Seconded by: Commissioner Henderson
Vote: Yes (6) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners
Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Reed, and Whitmore.
No (0)
Action: Motion Passed.

- 7D. Informational report to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) on the updated draft slow streets network recommendations which include paths within Oakland parks and a near-term coordination opportunity at Arroyo Viejo Park.

Public Comment:

In-Person: 0
Remote: 0
Email: 0

Motion: Chair Barach entertained a motion to approve the request.
Moved by: Commissioner Kos-Reed
Seconded by: Commissioner Cervantes
Vote: Yes (0) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Commissioners
Cervantes, Henderson, Kos-Reed, and Whitmore.
No (0)
Action: Motion Passed.

8. Planning and Conditional Use Permits (CUPs)
None.

9. Update from the Director, Committees, and Announcements

Director's Update:

– Assistant Director, Sarah Herbelin:

Completed Summer programs, Feather River Summer Camp, Art Meets Nature, and Child Experience Programs.

Now into the After School Programs, which are located throughout the city at different Recreation Centers.

OPRYD, Disney, ESPN, Every kid sports, and the Eat, Learn, Play foundation Event on Saturday September 12th for 3 – 7-year-olds at Ira Jenkins had an opportunity to participate and prepare for sports.

Summer Hiring has been initiated, and applications are open until October 25th for first round, the last and final round will close February 7th.

Announcements:

– PRAC Commissioner, Isaac Kos-Reed:

On October 11th, 2026, Invite to Last Salsa where there will be music, dancing, food, and a good time.

– Chair, Marc Barach:

CM Unger is holding a community meeting today, September 16 at 6pm to discuss the issues with the dogs in Bushrod.

10. Continuation of Open Forum

– Final comments on items not on the agenda are taken at this time.

In-Person: 0

Remote: 0

11. Adjournment: **6:31 p.m.**

Motion: Commissioner Cervantes entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Commissioner Cervantes

Seconded by: Commissioner Whitmore

Vote: Yes (6) Chair Barach, Vice Chair Omolo, Henderson, Thomas, Watkins and Whitmore.

No (0)

Action: Motion Passed.

Next Special PRAC Meeting

Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2026

Time: 4:30 PM

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Respectfully submitted,

Myka Hammock
Director

Kiley Kong-Sanders
Recording Secretary

CITY OF OAKLAND
Oakland Public Works

TO: Marc Barach, Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC)
FROM: Liam Garland, Director of Public Works (OPW)
DATE: October 14, 2026
SUBJECT: **Informational Report: OPW's Measure Q Updates**

Measure Q Financial and Budget Updates

Summary

This report provides an update on Measure Q actual expenditures for FY 2025–26, the adopted FY 2026–27 budget, and potential project carryforwards from FY 2025–26 to FY 2026–27. The report focuses on parks maintenance and water quality services overseen by the Public Recreation and Parks Commission (PRAC). It also summarizes preliminary FY 2025–26 spending and encumbrances across relevant City departments and bureaus. Because the June 2026 financials have not yet been closed, the reported amounts remain preliminary and subject to change.

Report Focus on:

1. Financials FY26-27 (preclose)
2. Adopted Budget FY26-27
3. Possible project carryforward from FY26 to FY27

Measure Q Oversight

Measure Q, approved by Oakland voters in March 2020, provides funding for parks maintenance, homelessness services, and water quality. The City Council assigned PRAC responsibility for overseeing Measure Q expenditures related to parks maintenance and water quality services.

As part of this oversight function, the Oakland Public Works Department (OPW) routinely submits updates to PRAC regarding these Measure Q expenditures.

1. FY 2025–26 Measure Q Financial Report

Attachment A presents the Measure Q Financial Report through June 2026. The report includes expenditures from the City Administrator, City Auditor, OPW's various bureaus, Housing and Community Development, and other City departments. Since the financial close has not yet been completed, the information is preliminary and may change.

For FY 2026, Measure Q had an adjusted budget of \$46,411,192. As of June 2026, the financials had \$10,062,112 in active encumbrances and \$26,356,216 in actual expenditures. These expenses were distributed among multiple departments and bureaus.

Consistent with PRAC's oversight authority, this report focuses on expenditures related to park maintenance and water quality. The relevant OPW bureaus and their FY 2026 financial activity through June 2026 are summarized below.

Bureau	Adjusted Budget	Active Encumbrance	Spent Through June 2026	Responsibility
Bureau of Environment (BOE)	\$20,308,473	\$1,350,548	\$15,484,110	Parks and Trees Division
Bureau of Maintenance and Internal Services (BMIS)	\$6,105,049	\$1,573,242	1,543,809	Restroom maintenance and minor CIPs
Bureau of Design (BDC)	\$3,826,834	\$1,355,264	\$1,388,904	Water quality projects

The Bureau of Environment, which houses the Parks and Trees Division, had an adjusted budget of \$20,308,473, active encumbrances of \$1,350,548, and \$15,484,110 in expenditures through June 2026. BMIS had an adjusted budget of \$6,105,049 and active encumbrances of \$1,573,242 and is responsible for restroom maintenance and minor capital improvement projects. The Bureau of Design, which manages water quality projects, had an adjusted budget of \$3,826,834, active encumbrances of \$1,355,264, and \$1,388,904 in expenditures through June 2026.

Additional Measure Q Financial Activity in Public Works including all Divisions with MQ budget and actuals.

Division Description	Adjusted Budget FY26	Encumbrance FY26	Spent in FY26	Category
Bureau of Administration	288,025	10,853	253,619	Audit
Bureau of Design & Construction	887,653	30,700	564,136	Water Quality
Bureau of Environment	20,308,473	1,350,548	15,484,110	Parks & Trees
Bureau of Maintenance & Internal Services	6,105,049	1,573,242	1,543,809	Park Maintenance
Capital Improvement Projects: Public Works	2,939,181	1,324,564	824,768	Water Quality
Total	30,528,380	4,289,907	18,670,442	

2. FY 2026–27 Midcycle Budget Update

Adopted Budget

The FY 2026–27 midcycle budget was passed by the City Council on 06/12/2026 and adopted through Resolution No. 91208. The adopted Measure Q budget totals \$45,630,553, consisting of \$36,234,199 in estimated revenue expected during the fiscal year, an \$8,886,136 fund balance transfer, and a \$510,218 transfer from the City’s General-Purpose Fund. Attachment B provides a high-level summary of the FY 2026–27 expense and revenue budget.

Maintenance-of-Effort Provision

As adopted, the FY 2026–27 midcycle budget includes the City Council’s declaration of “a state of extreme fiscal necessity” based on the City’s structural deficit. Under the Measure Q ballot language, this declaration means that the Measure Q budget is no longer required to meet the measure’s maintenance-of-effort provision.

The maintenance-of-effort requirement provides that no more than 55% of the Measure Q budget may be allocated to existing services. Because of the declaration of extreme fiscal necessity, the FY 2026–27 adopted budget instead allocates 65% of budgeted expenses to existing services, leaving less funding available for new services.

The Measure Q language provides that “The City Council may temporarily suspend the provision of Section 4 by resolution to meet urgent and changing needs in the event of extreme fiscal necessity.” The legislation accompanying the budget will include the explanations necessary to support the suspension of this requirement.

General Purpose Fund Support

The adopted budget includes a \$510,218 General Purpose Fund contribution to support eligible parks maintenance and operations expenditures and help the City move closer to compliance with the measure’s maintenance-of-effort requirements. Even with this funding, the allocation for parks, landscape maintenance, and recreational services remains approximately \$1.9 million below the amount needed to meet the requirement.

Measure Q–Supported Positions

Measure Q supports 126.36 full-time equivalent positions in FY 2026–27. Of these positions, 110.08 FTEs, or approximately 87%, are stationed in Public Works. Attachment D provides details on the position classifications.

3. Measure Q Project Carryforward from FY 2025–26 to FY 2026–27

Potential project balance carryforwards from FY 2025–26 to FY 2026–27 are estimated at slightly more than \$6 million. The actual carryforward amount may change based on the project carryforward justification provided. A future report from Craig Pon, Building Services Manager in OPW’s Bureau of Maintenance and Internal Services, will provide a fuller update on the status of these projects.

Attachment C identifies the project balances that may be carried forward into the current fiscal year after the June 2026 financials are closed.

RECOMMENDATION

OPW recommends that PRAC receive this informational report.

Respectfully prepared and submitted by:

Tom Morgan
Assistant Director, Public Works

Attachments: A – FY 2025/2026 Measure Q Financial Report
 B – FY 2026/2027 Measure Q Budget
 C – FY 2026 to FY2027 Possible project carryforward balance
 D – FY 2026/2027 Positions funded by Measure Q



CITY OF OAKLAND
Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development

TO: Marc B., Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Terri Westbrook, Center Director, Mosswood Park
DATE: October 14, 2026
**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MOSSWOOD TENNIS COURT NAME CHANGE:
MOSSWOOD TENNIS COURTS TO THE TERRY STEWART
MOSSWOOD TENNIS COURTS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING YOUTH
TENNIS LEADERSHIP, CONTRIBUTIONS, AND INCLUSION.**

SUMMARY

Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development received a request from the Mosswood Recreation Advisory Council, neighbors, the community, and immense support from Councilmember Carroll Fife, District 3, to change the existing name of the Mosswood Tennis Courts to the Terry Stewart Mosswood Tennis Courts for his long-standing leadership, youth tennis contributions, and inclusion work.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

According to the National Youth Tennis Advantage, Terry Stewart is a highly respected youth tennis coach and program leader with over four decades of service in Northern California, particularly in Oakland and the Bay Area. He has been recognized for his dedication to youth development, diversity, and inclusion in tennis.

Longstanding Service: Terry has worked with the National Junior Tennis and Learning (NJTL) in San Francisco since 1986, influencing hundreds of players who have gone on to become top high school, college, and professional tennis athletes.

Program Development: He has helped launch and grow youth tennis programs, retained permitting, served as a site director, written codes of conduct, and developed outreach initiatives that have recruited thousands of kids in the Bay Area.

Integration of High School Tennis: Currently, he helps integrate high school tennis with USTA NorCal, enabling more juniors to compete in USTA-sanctioned tournaments

Awards and Recognition:

USTA NorCal Trail Blazer & Community Service Award – for his leadership and service to the sport; USTA NorCal Award for 40+ Years of Service in Oakland – honoring his decades of dedication to youth tennis in the Oakland community

Mark Manning Icon Award – for outstanding leadership and contribution at national, sectional, and local USTA levels in advocating for diversity and inclusion.

Bushrod Park Oakland Service Award – recognizing lifelong service and impact in multicultural, LGBT, and disability tennis communities.

With a passion for inspiring youth to achieve their personal goals through life skills, academics, and tennis, Terry has influenced hundreds of players throughout his career, many of whom have become number one high school and college elites, as well as top-ranked USTA pros.

Terry has made a major impact in the youth tennis community, helping launch and grow programs while coaching, retaining permits, serving as a site director, writing a code of conduct, and developing outreach programs that have recruited thousands of kids in the Bay Area. He currently helps integrate high school tennis with USTA NorCal, which enables juniors to play USTA-sanctioned tournaments that they would not normally have the opportunity to. As a Director of Programs, Terry plans to continue following his passion as an advocate for youth tennis programs in Northern California. Although he is retired, he still coaches countless youth tennis classes at Mosswood Tennis Courts, helping to encourage and lead youth.

PROJECT / PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Mosswood Recreation Advisory Council, Oakland Public Works, and the Park Director will work to develop the new sign name: **Terry Stewart Mosswood Tennis Courts**. The sign will be approved by Myka Hammock, Oakland Parks, Recreation, and Youth Development Director.

FISCAL IMPACT

There will be no financial impact for OPRYD. The Oakland Tennis Council will procure and supply all funding fees to create and develop the new Mosswood Tennis Court sign.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

Terry Stewart currently teaches youth tennis at Bushrod, deFremery, and Mosswood Recreation Centers. Terry uses his own time and resources to communicate the need for the community to recognize that young people need constant support and guidance from good role models. Many heard about the possible dedication of the Mosswood Tennis Courts to Terry Stewart and fully supported the idea. We held a special RAC meeting to allow more public opinion, questions, comments, and feedback. The Mosswood RAC unanimously voted to change the name to the Terry Stewart Mosswood Tennis Courts.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends changing the Mosswood Tennis Courts name to the Terry Stewart Tennis Courts in honor of Mr. Terry Stewart's longstanding community contributions and legacy.

Respectfully submitted,



Terri Westbrook (Sep 23, 2026 16:24:06 PDT)

Prepared by:
Terri Westbrook
Center Director



Vinzuela Bolden (Sep 24, 2026 15:46:05 PDT)

Reviewed by:
Vinzuela Bolden
Northwest Unit Supervisor



Sarah Herbelin (Sep 24, 2026 15:53:27 PDT)

Approved by:
Sarah Herbelin
Assistant Director, OPRYD



Myka Hammock (Sep 25, 2026 19:19:17 PDT)

Approved by:
Myka Hammock
Director, OPRYD

Identification of Support Documents:

Attachments: Exhibit A: Councilmember Carroll Fife Recommendation Letter
Exhibit B: Vince Owens, President, Oakland Tennis Council Letter
Exhibit C: Larry Atkins, Vice President, Oakland Tennis Council Letter
Exhibit D: Mosswood Recreation Advisory Council (RAC) Letter
Exhibit E: Terry Stewart, Director of National Junior Tennis League
Exhibit F: Terry Stewart Shaping Minds Through Tennis

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EXHIBIT A

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September 16, 2026

Re: Support for Renaming Mosswood Park Tennis Courts to Terry Stewart Tennis Courts

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Oakland City Councilmember representing District 3, which includes Mosswood Park, I am proud to support the renaming of the Mosswood Park Tennis Courts to the Terry Stewart Tennis Courts in recognition of Coach Terry Stewart's decades-long service to the Mosswood community, the City and beyond.

For over 30 years Coach Terry Stewart has taught tennis to young people at Mosswood, helping instill the love of the game in countless Oakland youth. Through free classes, he made sure those who would otherwise not be exposed to the sport were able to participate and even helped foster talent who went on to be top ranked U.S. Tennis Association (USTA) pros. More than just coaching tennis, Coach Terry has been committed to supporting young people in gaining the life-skills that will allow them to excel at various stages of their lives.

Coach Terry has received the USTA Norcal Trail Blazer and USTA Community Service awards for making a major impact in youth tennis, helping to launch and grow programs, while coaching, retaining permitting, being a site director, writing a code of conduct and developing outreach programs. He is a trailblazer who has helped make Mosswood and Oakland more welcoming and vibrant. It is important to recognize and honor him by renaming the Mosswood Park Tennis Courts to the Terry Stewart Tennis Courts.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carroll Fife".

Councilmember Carroll Fife
City of Oakland
Council District 3

Dear Mosswood Recreation, Advisory Council, and PRAC Representatives,

On behalf of the Oakland Tennis Council, we respectfully request that the tennis courts at Mosswood Park be renamed in honor of Terry Stewart. For more than 30 years, Mr. Stewart has dedicated himself to developing youth and families in Oakland through the game of tennis, serving as a consistent and trusted presence at Mosswood Park. His work has provided access to a sport that traditionally presents financial and structural barriers, particularly for underserved communities. Through instruction, mentorship, and daily presence, he has transformed the courts into a space of opportunity, discipline, and positive engagement for multiple generations of Oakland residents.

Renaming the courts in his honor aligns with the City of Oakland's commitment to equity, youth development, and community-based leadership. Mr. Stewart's contributions are not only measured by longevity, but by measurable community impact—hundreds of youth introduced to tennis, sustained programming in a historically under-resourced area, and the creation of a safe, structured environment that promotes health and personal growth. Naming public assets after individuals who have made significant, place-based contributions is a recognized practice across municipalities, particularly when those contributions are directly tied to the facility in question. In this case, Mosswood Park and Terry Stewart's legacy are inseparable, making this recognition both appropriate and meaningful.

Additionally, with Mosswood Park currently undergoing renovation and reinvestment, this presents a timely opportunity to formally align the physical improvements of the space with the recognition of those who have shaped its cultural and community value. Honoring Terry Stewart while he is still able to witness and engage with this recognition sends a powerful message to the Oakland community: that sustained service, mentorship, and dedication to youth are valued and worthy of public acknowledgment. This initiative has begun to receive support from community members and stakeholders, and the Oakland Tennis Council is committed to continuing outreach to ensure broad-based community alignment as this proposal advances through the RAC and PRAC process.

We respectfully request that this proposal be considered for advancement and review to formally rename the Mosswood Park tennis courts in honor of Terry Stewart.

Sincerely,

Vince Owens
President of the Oakland Tennis Council
(510) 827-9039
vincentowens58@gmail.com

TO: Marc B., Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Terri Westbrook, Mosswood Recreation Center Director
DATE: September 1, 2026
Subject: REQUEST TO RENAME MOSSWOOD PARK TENNIS COURTS BY THE
OAKLAND TENNIS COUNCIL FOR HIS LONG-STANDING YOUTH

Dear Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission,

On behalf of the Oakland tennis and youth development community, we respectfully submit this request to rename the Mosswood Park Tennis Courts to **Terry Stewart Tennis Courts**.

Background & Community Impact

For over 30 years, Coach Terry Stewart has been a cornerstone of youth tennis development in Oakland. Through his leadership at Mosswood Park, he has introduced hundreds of young people to tennis, mentorship, discipline, and opportunity. His work has extended beyond sport—serving as a pathway for youth engagement, personal development, and community stability.

Coach Stewart's contributions align directly with the mission of Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development by:

- Providing consistent youth programming
- Creating safe and structured community spaces
- Developing student-athletes both on and off the court

He has also been recognized by organizations such as USTA Northern California for his dedication to community service and youth tennis development.

Purpose of Request

The purpose of this request is to formally recognize Coach Terry Stewart's decades of service by naming the courts where his impact has been most deeply felt.

This designation would:

- Honor a living legacy within the Oakland community
- Inspire current and future youth participants
- Preserve the history of grassroots tennis development in Oakland

Community Support & Engagement

We are currently organizing:

- Community testimonials from former students, families, and colleagues
- Photo documentation of Coach Stewart's work and legacy
- Petition signatures from community members in support of the name change

We will also present this proposal to the **Mosswood Park Recreation Advisory Council (RAC)** and gather formal feedback and support before appearing before PRAC.

Next Steps & Commitment

We are committed to:

- Conducting a thorough and respectful community engagement process
- Collaborating with Mosswood Park leadership on appropriate signage within City guidelines
- Preparing a comprehensive PRAC report including testimonies, visuals, and supporting documentation

We appreciate your time and consideration of this request and look forward to presenting before the Commission.

Thank you for your continued support of Oakland's youth and community spaces.

Sincerely,

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September 2, 2026

Sept. 21, 2026

To: Oakland Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission, Commissioners

From: Mosswood Park Recreation Advisory Council (RAC)

Re: Naming of the Tennis Courts at Mosswood Park in honor of Terry Stewart

Dear Commissioners:

It is with great enthusiasm that we write in support of the initiative begun by members of several Oakland tennis community organizations to name the tennis courts facility at Mosswood Park in honor of Terry Stewart.

Terry Stewart is an unflagging coach on the tennis courts at Mosswood Park to generations of Mosswood Park youth and residents. Through his role as a coach and YTA (Youth Tennis Advantage) program director, he has been a civic leader who has ensured that free youth tennis programs exist at the park that have created a consistent opportunity to participate, and ongoing encouragement to not give up. This was especially true through many difficult times in the park's recent history, which was a beacon to the whole community. Terry has remained supportive of the Mosswood programs even into retirement.

With the serendipitous refreshing of the tennis courts at Mosswood due to the construction project impacts, this is a great time to name the courts in honor of Terry Stewart, as a leader, in particular of keeping the youth tennis programs open, and in support of diversity in tennis. The momentum of the tennis program at Mosswood could not be stronger, and that is thanks to the ongoing commitment of Terry Stewart and the organizations and organizing in Oakland tennis that he creates and supports.

The RAC has lobbied the City over these last years to help keep the tennis program going, lights, signs, cleanups. We are partners in supporting and creating the facilities and opportunities for Oakland's residents and particularly youth programs.

Naming the courts after Terry Stewart will give the vision to generations to come, to be stalwart supporters of youth sports, to be supporters of diversity in sports particularly in tennis, and to not give up.

We look forward to continuing the development of the tennis programs at Mosswood with the support of PRAC, as we fulfill this honor into the future.

Sincerely,

Mosswood Park Recreation Advisory Council

Cassie Lopez "Mama 'C" Chairperson

Gretchen Till, member and former co-chair

Anna de Anguera, member

brian pearson, member

Juan Lopez, member

TERRY STEWART

Terry Stewart of Oakland, California, is the site director/head tennis coach of the San Francisco/Oakland NJTL chapter at Mosswood Recreation Center in Oakland. As director, Stewart mobilizes and inspires young people of all ethnic backgrounds to pursue their personal goals as leaders and high achievers on the tennis court, at school and in the community. He is a mentor and friend to many children.

Through Stewart's work, the NJTL of San Francisco has expanded to the Oakland area and has developed tournament and high school caliber players. The Oakland program now includes the Summer Program, the Summer Junior Instructor Program and the NJTL Excellence All Year Round Tournament Training Team. Since 1992, the program has grown from 500 to 800 kids. The goal this year is to reach 1,000 youngsters at 17 sites.

Since 1994, Stewart has been the Regional Representative of Alameda County in the USTA Northern California section. He offers insight concerning tournament play, rankings, high school players, fairness and equality. Terry works through Oakland area schools to promote tennis. He volunteers at Area Training Centers, acts as a court monitor for tournaments and brings youngsters to tournaments.

The mission statement of his NJTL chapter best sums up Terry Stewart's character and philosophy. "...Arthur Ashe believed that children and young people can develop excellence in tennis and also excellence in education and community service. Our goal is to develop the whole person: body, mind and spirit."

Mr. Stewart actively encourages young people to fulfill their dreams. He is always available to teach those who, for whatever reason, are excluded from other tennis programs. Terry uses his own time and resources to communicate the need for the community to recognize that young people need constant support and guidance from good role models. Terry Stewart is an excellent example of a tennis proponent - community builder, idea generator and inspirational leader.

TERRY STEWART:



RICHARD OSBORN

Daylight-saving time is but an afterthought and November has pushed a gooseflesh-inducing chill across San Francisco Bay. As



he's done for the past 15 years, Terry Stewart pulls the light switch at the Oakland Recreation Department's Mosswood Courts and an artificial translucence replaces the evaporating glow of another autumnal sunset. In the rush-hour shadow of Interstate 580, the light reveals a gathering of kids eagerly hitting back and forth across the nets of the facility's three courts. Stewart, 44, gazes at the 25 to 30 mostly pre-teens and delights in the cross-cultural mix before him.

"When you look at this, you wouldn't necessarily think it was an inner-city program," says Stewart of the Mosswood Junior Tennis Program. "We're teaching kids to get along with each other, to live in the real world. The poorest kid out here doesn't feel like the poorest kid. That's how you experience culture, diversity, how people interact with each other. It starts here."

Under the auspices of the newly-formed Youth Tennis Advantage, Stewart is shaping young minds through a unique approach that helps...

While several three-days-per-week after-school programs existed prior to his, Stewart was a maverick in expanding his to five days. And by taking kids off the streets, he's earned the respect of parents and pupils alike, as the program's nearly non-existent drop-out rate reflects. He's also produced some top-ranked juniors.

"Like Arthur Ashe said, tennis is the hook," Stewart paraphrases. "But you must have the hook and the bait. Tennis gets the kids out here. They have fun. In the process, you have to talk to them about the importance of getting an education."

Stewart says he gathered much of his motivation from the late pioneering inner-city organizer Warren Brown, whose efforts paved the way for a host of community-oriented programs like his. "He was firm about what he believed in and what he wanted. If he said to do it a certain way, you did it that way," recalls Stewart, a father of three. "Just before he died, he said, 'You're dealing with a lot of inner-city kids. It's going to take inner-city people to get through to them.' I believe that. I knew then that I was going to try



CITY OF OAKLAND
Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development

TO: Marc Barach, Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Quincy Williams, Oakland Parks, Recreation and Youth Development (OPRYD)
DATE: October 5, 2026
SUBJECT: **REQUEST FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (PRAC) TO SUPPORT 1) THE CITY ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE REPAIR, MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT AND OPERATION OF OAK PORT FIELD BY OAKLAND UNITED, A NON-PROFIT PLAY INFRASTRUCTURE ORGANIZATION, AND 2) APPLYING A PARK TYPE DESIGNATION OF REGION-SERVING PARK (RSP) TO THE OPEN SPACE ZONING DESIGNATION FOR OAK PORT FIELD PURSUANT TO PLANNING CODE SECTION 17.11.020.C**

SUMMARY

Oak Port Field, located on a waterfront site near the Oakland Coliseum in East Oakland, comprises two existing but significantly deteriorated natural-grass soccer fields and associated infrastructure, totaling over 4 acres (over 150,000 square feet). The current condition of the fields and surrounding amenities limits safe and consistent community use and restricts the ability to deliver structured youth programming. In response to these conditions and in a resource-restricted environment, OPRYD issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) on September 20, 2024, to find a nonprofit organization to program, maintain, and improve the playing fields while preserving their original character and utility.

The RFP was originally awarded to Oakland Soccer Club, a 50-year-old community organization serving more than 500 youth, which proposed rehabilitating, maintaining, programming, and controlling scheduling for Oak Port Field through a phased public-private lease partnership model. Subsequently, the City of Oakland commissioned an internal Equity Analysis which identified multiple existing user groups requiring coordinated field access to Oak Port Field. In response to this shared need for playable space, current field user groups formed a new organization to manage shared access needs equitably. This organization is known as Oakland United (OU). OU submitted a Supplemental RFP to OPRYD to address operational and equitable access questions. After reviewing the Supplemental RFP, OPRYD transferred the Oakland Soccer Club RFP award to OU.

The OU proposal includes a multi-million-dollar capital project funded by OU to replace and repair multi-million-dollar capital project funded by OU to replace and repair project funded by OU that would be focused on replacing and repairing existing site infrastructure, including the restroom, perimeter fencing, and playing field surface. OU could plan and propose additional capital projects in the future subject to the City's review and approval.

The City has proposed licensing Oak Port Field to OU for a 15-year term with a monthly base rent/fee paid by OU and additional business terms that remain in negotiation as of publication and that would be subject to City Council approval. OU would maintain the field and manage access for community user groups through a reservation system under City oversight but administered by Oakland United. This reservation system would include measures to promote equity, public accessibility, transparency, and accountability.

This report provides the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission (PRAC) with an overview of the proposed scope, programming model, funding commitments, and partnership framework. Additionally, Staff is seeking PRAC support to proceed with negotiations with the applicant and subsequently, seek City Council approval.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

Oak Port Field is located at 5815 Oak Port Street, on a portion of a larger, 54-acre City-owned parcel containing Bay wetlands and the San Francisco Bay Trail (Assessor Parcel Number 41-3903-2-9). It is situated in the Coliseum area of East Oakland, a neighborhood identified in regional and local assessments as experiencing disparities in access to safe, high-quality sports infrastructure. According to publicly available data, youth sports participation and daily physical activity rates in Oakland fall below national averages, with even lower participation in historically underserved East Oakland neighborhoods. The site falls within the City's Coliseum Area Specific Plan boundary.

Oakland United was created to support equitable access to youth sports and to address the affordability crisis sometimes called the "pay-to-play" youth sports system. It exists to ensure that sports and play remain a public good in Oakland.

Oakland United was formed to be the connective tissue for youth sports in Oakland. OU will manage excellent spaces to play, empowers program delivery, and mobilize public and private investment, so that proven youth-serving organizations can reach more kids, and so Oakland's public recreational spaces are stewarded as lasting community assets.

Oakland United does not operate its own youth programming. Rather, it partners with the city's youth serving community organizations to ensure that equitable access to great spaces and programs is possible. OU is seeking PRAC approval to negotiate a long-term agreement for the Oak Port Field site to transform the property into a high-quality playing field complex for use by both OU's partner programs, including the Oakland Soccer Club, and the public.

Through a request for proposals (RFP) process, the City of Oakland has selected OU as its partner to rehabilitate Oak Port Field. OU has submitted proposals outlining a long-term partnership structure under which it would invest capital, provide ongoing maintenance and scheduling, and provide for free or subsidized youth programming in coordination with OPRYD.

PROJECT / PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Purpose

The proposed project seeks to rehabilitate, renovate, and activate Oak Port Field to:

Goals and Objectives

- Improve field safety and playability by replacing the existing deteriorated playing surface

- Replace aging and damaged site infrastructure, including the restroom structure and perimeter fencing
- Increase access to free and/or highly affordable youth sports programming
- Maintain majority public access hours
- Establish a long-term maintenance and stewardship plan
- Revitalize and reactivate an under-maintained and underutilized city asset

Community Members and Groups Served

- Oakland residents, with particular focus on East Oakland and Coliseum-area communities
- OUSD students and families, including youth served through partnerships with local schools
- Community-based organizations such as Oakland Dynamites, Oakland Soccer Club, Oakland Genesis, Liga Jacaltecos, and the Oakland Sports Equity Coalition, which will utilize this space to expand access to their free or affordable youth-serving programs
- Public trail users who will benefit from improved parking and restroom facilities

Business Terms

The Agreement would have a 15-year term. OU would pay a monthly rent/fee under the agreement and would be subject to additional business terms that remain in negotiation as of publication and that would be subject to City Council approval

Repair, Replacement, Maintenance and Operation

At the beginning of the term of the agreement, OU would replace and repair existing site infrastructure and conduct the geotechnical testing required to inform design and construction:

Component	Details	Key Features
Restroom Replacement	Prefabricated public restroom	Replacement of the existing restroom structure with a new prefabricated unit. The new structure will be sited on the existing footprint and will be no more than 100 square feet larger than the current structure.
Perimeter Fence Replacement	New perimeter fencing (no more than 8' tall)	Replacement of the existing perimeter fence with a new fence no more than 8 feet in height.
Playing Field Surface Replacement	New playing surface on existing fields	Replacement of the existing deteriorated grass surface on the two playing fields.
Geotechnical Testing	Subsurface investigation	Geotechnical testing to inform design and construction decisions for site improvements.

The agreement would allow for OU to plan and propose additional capital improvements subject to City review and approval for the purpose of enhancing Oak Port Field's existing use as a publicly accessible athletic field. OU would be required to comply with all applicable permits and regulatory approvals required by law, including but not limited to City Zoning Rules and Regulations for any additional improvements.

OU would assume full responsibility for ongoing repair and maintenance, site operations, reservation and scheduling of users, in accordance with guidelines to be set forth in the agreement.

Programming, Governance and Public Access Model

Proposed programming would include:

- Competitive youth sports practices and games
- Recreational youth sports practices and games
- Youth referee and coach training
- Free after-school programming for 600+ youth annually
- Academic enrichment, mentorship, and college/career counseling (K–12)
- Community recreational leagues and playdates
- Programming would be provided at no cost for youth.

OU's management of Oak Port Field would be informed by an advisory council that would include representation from the City as well as an at large community member unaffiliated with any Oak Port Field user group. Meetings of the advisory council would be open to the public and advertised in English and Spanish.

Scheduling and use of Oak Port Field would be governed by a community access policy prepared by OU and subject to the City's review and approval. Reservations would be processed through OU's reservation system. Fees would be capped by the City's adopted Master Fee Schedule and waived for youth-serving organizations charging less than half of comparable area programs. At least 65% of available field time would be reserved for no-fee public drop-in use. An illustrative weekly schedule is attached as Exhibit E.

City Oversight

OU would submit quarterly reports and an annual report to the City and provide an annual report to PRAC that would include updates on the status of improvements, community access and usage, and agreed-upon performance indicators.

The City could retake control of scheduling for up to 12 months if, after a notice and cure period, OU materially defaults on its obligations under the agreement. The City could terminate the agreement if the failure remains uncured at the end of this 12 month period.

FISCAL IMPACT

The project would not create new expenses for the General Fund or the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). It would reduce General Fund expenditures by transferring maintenance and repair obligations to OU. It would avoid the need for the City to plan and budget for capital projects in the CIP. The City would collect a modest monthly rent/fee from OU under the management agreement, which amount remains subject to ongoing negotiations.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

OU has engaged the community throughout the planning process. The project has been informed by the following:

- OU's partnerships with longstanding Oakland-based youth soccer organizations with a 50-year history serving the East Oakland Community and Oakland-based youth American football organizations with a 60-year year history serving the East Oakland Community.

- The Oak Port Advisory Council was established in August 2026 and consists of existing user groups of Oak Port Field, adjacent OUSD schools, and the Oakland Sports Equity Coalition.
- U.S. Soccer’s Soccer Forward Foundation has endorsed this project as part of its recognition of Oakland as a “Soccer Forward Community.”
- The City of Oakland has selected OU to develop the Oak Port Field site pursuant to an open, competitive RFP process. Prior to issuing the RFP, the City conducted a community engagement process that included a survey to gauge use of Oak Port Field. This survey yielded few responses because Oak Port is not in a residential area. However, OPRYD performed a race and equity analysis to identify field users and reviewed census tract and block group information adjacent to the site.
- Local families, students, and community members have expressed support for the renovation as part of OU’s ongoing community engagement efforts.
- SupplyBank.org separately held three community sessions that included discussions about the renovation of Oak Port Field between September 2025 and May 2026, including: a Lunch & Learn conference at the Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce attended by around 30 people on September 23, 2025; a Community Design Workshop at the 81st Avenue Branch of the Oakland Public Library, attended by 25 attendees, on November 8, 2025; and a Walking Tour of the MLK Jr. Regional Shoreline attended by 20-30 community members on May 16, 2026. Supply Bank has delivered the community feedback it received to Oakland United, and we are in close partnership with Supply Bank on future development of the parcel and all related community engagement efforts.

COORDINATION

This project has been coordinated between the following departments:

- Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development
- Economic & Workforce Development Department’s Real Estate Division
- Planning & Building Department
- City Administrator’s Office
- Mayor’s Office
- Office of the City Attorney
- Public Works Department
- This process also includes a request from the City of Oakland Planning Division regarding this proposal. The following describes their response.

Zoning Cleanup for MLK Shoreline OS Zone Park Designation

In 2015 the Coliseum Area Specific Plan was adopted along with the implementing zoning. As part of the zoning implementation, the open space MLK Regional Shoreline areas around San Leandro Bay were rezoned from various industrial uses to the OS Open Space Zoning. However, one step in that process was never completed, which included a requirement that any proposed OS Zoning appear before PRAC so that it can receive a park type designation as required under Planning Code Section 17.11.020.C. The OS Zone in the Planning Code provides that all parks and public open space lands in the City of Oakland be classified using one of nine subcategories to identify the more

particular type of active or passive recreational needs the park or open space will serve, namely Resource Conservation Area (RCA), Region-Serving Park (RSP), Community Park (CP), Neighborhood Park (NP), Active Mini-Park (AMP), Passive Mini-Park (PMP), Linear Park (LP), Special Use Park (SU), and Athletic Field Park (AF). As a result of the rezoning not going through this required process the areas are only zoned OS without any specific designation, and as such it is not clear as to what OS Zone regulations apply since the regulatory framework is applied to the area park types in the use and facilities tables in the Planning Code. The plan has been to remedy this issue as part of the General Plan and Zoning update that is ongoing. However, because the Oak Port Field is within this area, staff recommend resolving this issue as part of the approval process for the Oakland United agreement for Oak Port Field. Certain improvements that would typically be permitted or conditionally permitted are now prohibited given the lack of a park type designation.

Given the regional Bay Trail access around the San Leandro Bay at the MLK Regional Shoreline as well as the zoning of the MLK Shoreline section to the west near Tidewater, it is recommended that the PRAC support a park type designation of Region -Serving Park (RSP), which would zone the entirety of the area in question as OS(RSP). While the Oak Port Soccer fields may seem to better fit under the Athletic Field (AF) designation, the fields are part of the larger shoreline park area and all of the activity allowances under the AF park type category are also allowed under the RSP park type category.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission support 1) the City entering into the proposed agreement with Oakland United at Oak Port Field and 2) applying the Region-Serving Park designation to Oak Port Field.

Respectfully submitted,


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Myka Hammock, Interim Director, OPRYD

Identification of Support Documents:

Attachments: Exhibit A – *Current Site Photos*
Exhibit B – *Proposal*
Exhibit C – *Budget*
Exhibit D – *Race and Equity Analysis*
Exhibit E – *Illustrative Weekly Schedule*
Exhibit F – *Zoning Designation Map*

Exhibit A – Current Site Photos



View from NE corner showing site entrance, existing restroom structure, and parking area



Existing restroom structure and chain-link fencing with fields beyond



Existing grass playing field looking southeast.

Exhibit B – Proposal

Oakland United Proposal for Oak Port Field Renovation

OU (OU), proposes rehabilitating, programming, and maintaining Oak Port Field through a long-term public-private licensor-licensee partnership with the City of Oakland. The approximately four-acre site at Oak Port, located on the waterfront near the Oakland Coliseum, currently includes two deteriorated natural grass soccer fields, an aging restroom structure, and damaged perimeter fencing. OU's proposal would transform the site into a safe, high-quality soccer complex serving East Oakland youth and the broader community at no cost to the City.

Phased Development Approach

The proposal follows a two-phase structure, addressing immediate infrastructure needs first, with expanded improvements to follow as funding and City approvals allow.

Phase 1 focuses on replacing and repairing existing site infrastructure. The scope includes three components: replacement of the existing restroom with a new prefabricated public restroom unit sited on the existing footprint (no more than 100 square feet larger than the current structure); replacement of the existing perimeter fencing with new fencing no more than 8 feet in height; and replacement of the deteriorated grass playing surface on both fields. The project also includes geotechnical testing to inform design and construction decisions.

Phase 2 envisions additional improvements subject to future funding, City approvals, and permitting. Potential scope includes installing permanent field lighting, upgrading the playing surface to hybrid turf with modern drainage and rainwater recapture, expanding seating and bleacher areas, adding backstop netting, landscaping, creating public gathering spaces, and repairing the parking lot.

Programming and Community Access

OU proposes using approximately 35% of the total available weekly field hours for structured programming, reserving the remaining 65% for general public use. Proposed programming includes competitive and recreational soccer leagues, youth football, including practices, and games; youth referee and coach training; free after-school programming for more than 600 youth annually; and community recreational leagues and playdates. All programming would be provided at no cost to participating youth, consistent with OU's mission of removing financial barriers to youth sports participation.

Funding and Operations

OU will fund the renovation entirely through private fundraising, grant funding, and philanthropic commitments. There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the City's General Fund or Capital Improvement Program. OU will assume full responsibility for ongoing site operations, reservation management, and maintenance under the agreement.

Community Support

The City of Oakland has selected OU as its development partner for the Oak Port Field site. Local families, students, and community members have supported the renovation through ongoing engagement efforts.



Phase 1

New Shoreline Park

- One mile of shoreline park improvements and habitat restoration for the public, a rebuilt ADA compliant Bay Trail, new soccer fields (led by the Oakland Soccer Club), many amenities driven by community-led decision making

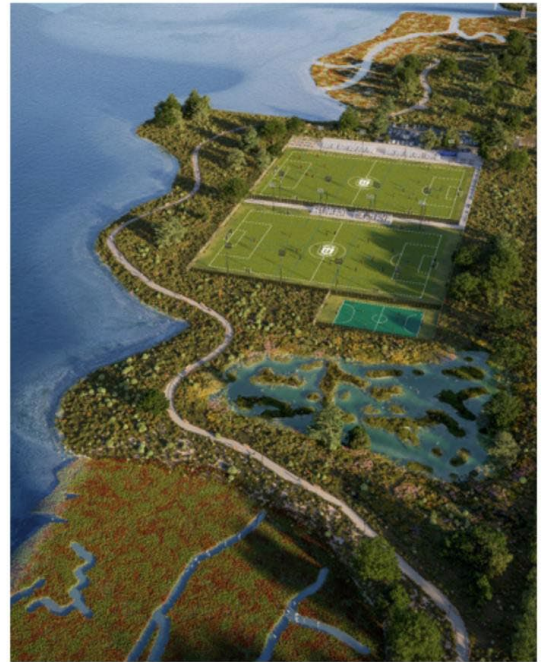


Exhibit C – Budget

Phase 1 – Replace and Repair Existing Infrastructure

Category	Estimated Cost
Pre-Development & Design	\$161,500
Landscape architecture, civil engineering, electrical engineering, structural engineering, DRX application	
Restroom Replacement	\$301,000
Prefabricated restroom unit + demolition of existing	
Perimeter Fencing	\$254,868
Ornamental iron fencing & gates (2,000 LF)	
Field Surface Replacement	\$843,963
Grass resod, clearing, grading, irrigation, SWPPP, establishment maintenance	
Civil & Grading (non-field areas)	\$35,000
ADA pathways, restroom pad	
Utilities	\$10,000
Restroom connections (water, sewer, electrical)	
Permits & Inspections	\$47,500
Security (construction monitoring, 12 months)	\$23,025
Contingency (5% of hard costs)	\$73,418
Phase 1 Subtotal	\$1,750,274

Phase 2 – Future Scope (Subject to Funding and Permitting)

Category	Estimated Cost
Hybrid Turf Upgrade (SIS Pitches, 220,500 SF)	\$736,000
Field Lighting (materials + electrical installation)	\$387,000
Seating & Bleachers	\$80,000
Storage	\$12,000
Backstop Netting	\$135,000
Landscaping & Public Gathering Spaces	\$150,000
Parking Lot Repairs	TBD
Phase 2 Design & Engineering	\$18,000
Phase 2 Permits	\$25,000
Contingency (5% of identified hard costs)	\$75,000
Phase 2 Subtotal (identified costs)	\$1,618,000

Combined Project Total (Phase 1 + Phase 2)	\$3,368,274
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Notes:

- Phase 1 estimates are based on vendor proposals and quotes received as of February 2026.
- Phase 2 estimates are preliminary and subject to revision pending design development and further scoping.
- All costs are to be funded by OU. No City General Fund or Capital Improvement Program funds are requested.

Exhibit D – Race and Equity Analysis

1. Racial Equity Outcomes

All Oakland residents — with particular intentionality toward those experiencing the greatest racial and economic disparities — have convenient, ongoing access to safe, well-maintained outdoor recreational spaces. Park rentals and facility fees remain affordable and do not create barriers to use. Both historically underserved communities and currently permitted users have equitable, sustained access to Oak Port Field and its amenities.

2. Data Collection & Impact Assessment

To understand who uses, needs, and is affected by this space, the following data will be gathered:

- Field Reservations* — Issued permits, hours, days, and times; organization types; rental fees; applicant demographics; and the geographic reach of permitted users.
- Program Data* — Identification of recreation centers and programs that rely on this space, along with participant demographics, including zip code, race, age, and sex.
- Surrounding Area Demographics* — Census and local data to assess who lives in the proximity and what recreational needs they have.
- Field & Amenity Inventory* — Types of fields available in the area (e.g., baseball, football, multi-use), current availability, and programming density relative to community need.
- Drop-In Use Data* — Because informal use of park space often goes uncounted, staff will be deployed on weekends to conduct structured observations and record attendee demographics at the field.

What the data should tell us:

We gathered relevant disparity data from Oak DOT, HUD, Environmental Justice resources, the Geographic Toolbox, and PerfectMind applicant registration records. Analysis will identify which racial, ethnic, and other identity groups are most affected by existing disparities; whether impacts are concentrated in specific geographic areas; and which Equity Indicators this proposal affects.

3. Stakeholder Identification & Engagement

Who is affected? Stakeholders include regularly permitted users such as the Oakland Dynamites youth league, Hispanic/Latino residents in the immediate surrounding area (representing between 49.9%–70.1% of the local population), low-income residents, and other marginalized groups in the broader surrounding community.

How did we reach them? We conducted outreach in multiple languages—particularly Spanish—and through trusted intermediaries, including community organizations, neighborhood associations, faith institutions, and local schools. We also used social media platforms where these communities are already active.

How will we maximize meaningful engagement? Engagement must go beyond notification. We will invite underserved stakeholders to participate in sessions that clearly communicate the project's goals, timeline, progress, and potential impacts—and create genuine space for feedback, questions, and dialogue. We held meetings at accessible times and locations, with interpretation services and, where feasible, childcare or other logistical support, to reduce barriers to participation.

Who may be missing — and how do we reach them? Drop-in users and residents who have not historically engaged with City processes are most at risk of being left out. Proactive, in-person outreach at the field itself — particularly on weekends — will help capture perspectives that formal channels may miss.

Root causes of identified disparities: Factors affecting communities around Oak Port Field likely include historical disinvestment in East Oakland, limited access to high-quality recreational infrastructure, language and cultural barriers to civic participation, and systemic inequities in how park resources have been allocated across neighborhoods. These root causes will be explored collaboratively with community members rather than assumed.

Opportunities to address inequities: Opportunities include prioritizing programming that reflects the surrounding community's cultural interests—particularly Hispanic/Latino youth—ensuring affordable or free access to the facility, creating multilingual communications, and establishing ongoing community advisory roles. Hence, residents remain involved beyond initial input sessions.

How will community voices shape decisions? The team will document, analyze, and formally present perspectives gathered through engagement as part of the decision-making process. The final recommendations will reflect community input. Where community preferences cannot be fully incorporated, the team will communicate the reasoning transparently to stakeholders. A feedback loop will be established so communities can see how their voices shaped outcomes.

Equity Gap Analysis

Historical context: Hispanic/Latino communities in Oakland have deep roots in the city — particularly in flatland neighborhoods like the Fruitvale district — where generations of cultural, economic, and civic life have been built. At the same time, these communities have been disproportionately impacted by policies such as redlining, urban renewal displacement, and chronic underinvestment in parks and public infrastructure in lower-income neighborhoods of color.

The resulting disparities — including lower household incomes, higher rates of housing instability, reduced access to quality recreational facilities, and historic barriers to civic participation — directly affect a community's ability to benefit from new public investments. For Oak Port specifically, the City must proactively address barriers related to transportation, work schedules, language access, and distrust of City processes. Equitable implementation requires intentional design that accounts for these realities rather than assuming equal access.

Maintenance equity: Maintenance of Oak Port Field must be proportional to its level of use and reflect the number of residents it serves. In high-disparity communities with fewer recreational alternatives, under-maintained facilities have an outsized negative impact — degrading programming quality and making the space less usable for the very residents who need it most. Equitable maintenance means that a heavily utilized community asset in a high-disparity area

receives a level of care that is at least comparable to — and in some cases exceeds — that of facilities in more-resourced neighborhoods.

Potential adverse impacts and unintended consequences: Two risks warrant particular attention. First, without intentional investment in community safety strategies, increased activity at Oak Port could inadvertently expose users — particularly youth — to safety risks if surrounding conditions are not adequately addressed. The implementation plan should incorporate Violence Interrupter programs and community-based safety models, rather than defaulting to traditional enforcement responses, which have historically proven less effective and more harmful in communities of color.

Second, if the policy moves forward without community-informed programming, Oak Port risks primarily serving outside interests rather than the needs of immediately surrounding residents. Displacement of informal community uses already occurring at the site is an additional unintended consequence that should be actively monitored and mitigated throughout implementation.

Exhibit E – Illustrative Weekly Schedule

Oakport Field — Illustrative Weekly Schedule PLACEHOLDER — REPRESENTATIVE WEEK

5855 Oakport Road, Oakland CA 94621 | Two full fields | A typical high-use week during the fall and spring seasons. User groups are shown as generic placeholders and do not represent confirmed assignments. Dates and hours are illustrative, subject to permit confirmation.

Time	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
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Free community drop-in — unbookable, no permit, no fee
School & After-School
Youth Club A
Adult Team E
Youth Club B
Youth League C
Adult League D
Field maintenance
Closed — no scheduled use
Two organizations using the complex simultaneously, one field each

102 Free community drop-in 60.0% of programmable hours	10 School & After-School 5.9% of programmable hours	58 Permitted club use 34.1% of programmable hours	12 Field maintenance excluded from denominator	14 Closed / no use excluded from denominator
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Field-hours per week, both fields combined. **Programmable hours = 170** of the 196 in the 8:00 AM–10:00 PM operating week; scheduled maintenance and after-dark closure are excluded.

Key. Club A/Club B — youth clubs, weeknight practices and Saturday games. **League C** — youth league, one shared weeknight. **League D** — adult recreational league, weekend daytime. **Team E** — adult team, latest blocks only.

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Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development



TO: Marc Barach, Chair, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
FROM: Cynthia Armstrong, Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development
DATE: October 1, 2026
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION (PRAC) TO APPROVE THE RENAMING OF CESAR CHAVEZ PARK TO LA FAMILIA PARK AND FORWARD THE RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION TO COUNCIL FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL

At the September 9, 2026, Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission meeting, staff was asked to provide additional information on the César Chávez Park Renaming. This supplemental report is prepared in response to that request.

SUMMARY

Councilmember Noel Gallo, who represents Oakland City Council District 5 and the Fruitvale community, has requested consideration of renaming César Chávez Park as La Familia Park.

The request comes during a broader public reassessment of facilities and public spaces named for César Chávez following serious allegations of sexual abuse that became public in March 2026. Reporting concerning these allegations has resulted in cities, school districts, public agencies, labor organizations, and community institutions throughout California reconsidering commemorative names associated with Chávez.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

César Chávez Park is a neighborhood park located along Foothill Boulevard in Oakland's Fruitvale community. City records identify César Chávez Park as a City-owned park in Fruitvale, and the park has historically served as an important neighborhood open space for children, youth, families, and residents.

The park was originally known as Foothill Meadows Park. Beginning in 2001, Fruitvale youth and residents participated in efforts to beautify the park and strengthen community ownership of the space. Youth Advocates for Fruitvale Parks and Open Spaces subsequently led an extensive community effort to rename the park in honor of labor and civil rights leader César Chávez. That effort reportedly generated more than 800 petition signatures and letters of support from community organizations, businesses, churches, Oakland Unified School District leadership, and local elected officials. On May 28, 2002, the Oakland City Council unanimously approved the renaming of Foothill Meadows Park as César Chávez Park.

The history of the park is therefore closely connected to community participation, youth leadership, civic engagement, and Fruitvale's cultural identity. Those values remain important considerations in evaluating any proposed change to the park's name.

PROJECT / PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The proposed name La Familia Park is especially appropriate for a neighborhood park in Fruitvale because it shifts the emphasis from commemorating a single individual to recognizing a broader and enduring community value.

La familia translates to the family in Spanish, but within the cultural and community context of Fruitvale, the phrase can carry a broader meaning encompassing immediate and extended family, multiple generations, neighbors, community relationships, and the collective responsibility to care for one another.

Fruitvale has long been recognized for its strong Latino cultural identity and community institutions. In 2023, the Oakland City Council established the Fruitvale Latino Cultural District, recognizing the historical and continuing contributions of Oakland's Latino community and specifically identifying public and cultural assets in the district, including César Chávez Park, the César E. Chávez Branch Library, Fruitvale Transit Village, Josie de la Cruz Park, Peralta Hacienda Historical Park, and Carmen Flores Recreation Center.

Renaming the park La Familia Park would therefore remain consistent with the cultural character of the neighborhood while providing a name that is welcoming across generations, backgrounds, and identities.

FISCAL IMPACT

The proposed renaming of César Chávez Park is anticipated to have a limited one-time fiscal impact to the City of Oakland. The primary costs associated with the renaming would be related to replacing or modifying facility identification and wayfinding signage and updating printed or physical materials displaying the existing facility names.

To minimize the fiscal impact, staff will evaluate whether certain signage and materials can be updated as part of regularly scheduled maintenance, replacement, or procurement cycles rather than requiring immediate replacement of every affected item.

At this time, the total one-time implementation cost has not been determined. Staff will develop a more detailed cost estimate prior to final City Council consideration and identify appropriate existing departmental appropriations or other available funding sources to cover implementation costs.

Overall, the proposed renaming is anticipated to result in a minimal fiscal impact, with no significant ongoing fiscal impact to the City.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

From a parks and recreation perspective, neighborhood parks are more than physical amenities. They function as gathering spaces where children play, families recreate, neighbors build relationships, and communities establish a sense of belonging.

This is particularly important at César Chávez Park. During Oakland's General Plan Update community engagement, a neighborhood respondent specifically described the park as important because many nearby residents live in crowded rental housing and rely on the park as a place for children and adults to gather and be physically active. The City's broader park survey similarly identified parks as important spaces for recreation, socialization, exercise, community gathering, and healthier lifestyles.

As part of the community engagement process, OPRYD conducted a survey to solicit direct feedback on

the proposed park renaming. A total of 118 respondents participated, including frequent park users: 68% reported visiting weekly and 18% daily. La Familia was the preferred name among 67% of respondents, followed by Fruitvale Community Park at 30%; 2% suggested Dolores Huerta, and none selected Resilience Park. Overall, 95% supported renaming the park, with 62% strongly supporting and 33% somewhat supporting the change; 5% were neutral and none expressed opposition. The results provide direct community input and show the strongest preference for La Familia among the names presented.

The name La Familia Park reinforces these recreational and social functions. Rather than defining the park primarily through an individual namesake, the proposed name emphasizes the people who use the park and the relationships that make the space meaningful.

Approval of the proposed name would recognize Fruitvale residents as active participants in defining the identity of a public space located within their community.

The name La Familia offers several benefits. It preserves a strong Spanish-language and Latino cultural connection to Fruitvale; emphasizes family, belonging, unity, and intergenerational relationships; avoids transferring the park from one individual namesake to another; and provides a welcoming identity capable of representing both current residents and future generations.

COORDINATION

Oakland Parks, Recreation and Youth Development (OPRYD) will coordinate with the Oakland Public Library (OPL) to develop a unified process for consideration of renaming César Chávez Park and the César E. Chávez Branch Library. Because the two facilities are located within the Fruitvale community and share the César Chávez namesake, coordinating the requests will allow the City to consider the proposed changes comprehensively and communicate clearly with residents and stakeholders.

The goal of the coordination will be to complete the respective review and recommendation processes required for each facility and, where procedurally appropriate, consolidate the recommendations into a joint City Council resolution authorizing the renaming of both facilities.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission approve the proposed renaming of César Chávez Park, located along Foothill Boulevard at Bridge Avenue/38th Avenue in Oakland's Fruitvale community, to La Familia Park, and forward the recommendation through the appropriate City process for final consideration and approval.

The proposed name, La Familia Park, recognizes the central role that families, intergenerational relationships, neighborhood connections, and community identity play in Fruitvale. The name provides an opportunity for the park to continue serving as a culturally meaningful public space while adopting an inclusive name that reflects the people and families who use and care for the park today.

Respectfully submitted,

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