

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	20-369	Meeting:	August 17, 2020
	Agenda Item:	33	Roll Call:	20-1336
	Submitted by:	Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Donation, Construction, and Naming Agreement for the addition of Mini-Pitch Futsal Court Systems at Cheatom and Evelyn K Davis Parks.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of the Donation, Construction, and Naming Agreement with Kick It Forward (Matt Sahag: Founder and President, 301 East Walnut Street, Studio 6 Des Moines, Iowa 50309), for the installation of a Mini-Pitch Futsal Court System at both Cheatom Park (1100 Day Street) and Evelyn K. Davis Park (1400 Forest Avenue).

FISCAL IMPACT:

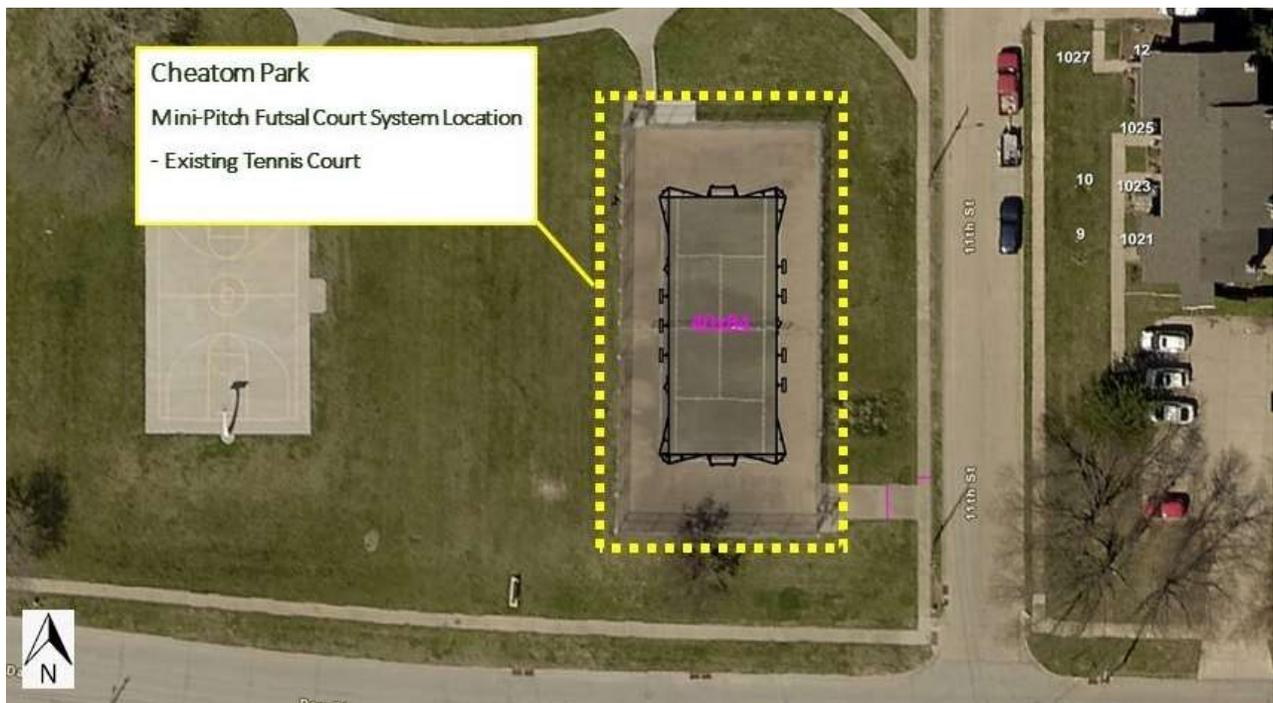
Amount: Estimated value of the donation is \$220,000. Total project cost is an estimated \$285,000.

Funding Source: Donation - \$220,000. Remaining \$65,000: 2020-2021 CIP, Page Park Improvements - 24, Sports Complexes, PK176, being \$35,000 G.O. Bonds Issued and \$30,000 G.O. Bonds to be Issued.

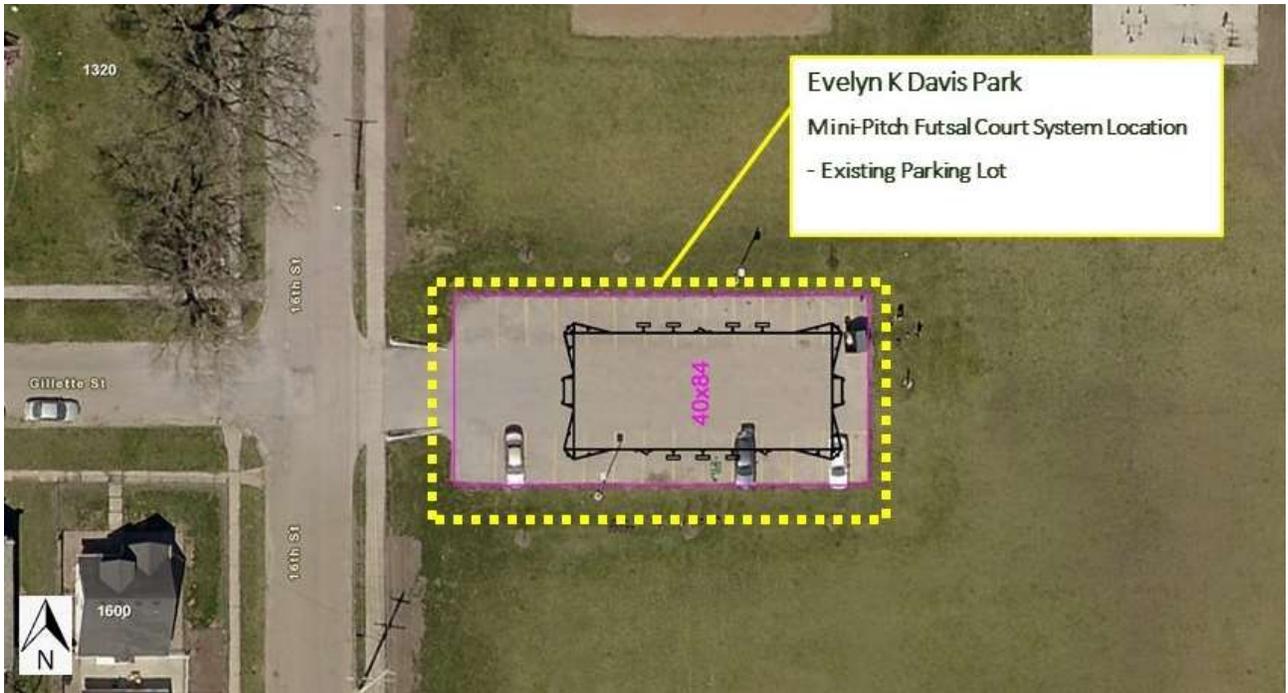
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Futsal is a variation of soccer that is played on a hard surface that is smaller than a typical soccer field. It is a new and quickly growing sport.
- In the fall of 2019, Kick It Forward donated and installed its first public Mini-Pitch Futsal Court system at Birdland Sports Complex, which has been heavily used from the day it opened. Soon after that, Kick It Forward initiated a meeting with the Parks and Recreation Department to discuss donating additional Mini-Pitch Futsal Court Systems, valued at \$110,000 each.
- After exploring several sites, Cheatom Park and Evelyn K. Davis Park were selected to receive this generous donation based on factors such as:
 - The Mini-Pitch system must be installed on a paved surface, which the City will provide. Both parks contain appropriately sized, underutilized paved areas. The cost to repair these existing surfaces is less than the cost of new paving and will have no impact on open green space.

- Proximity to existing park amenities such as shelters, restrooms, parking, seating and greenspace and other recreational amenities including playgrounds, basketball courts, open space and sand volleyball.
- The presence and popularity of an established futsal program at Evelyn K. Davis Park that currently must share the heavily in-demand basketball court surface.
- The neighborhood associations home to both parks, King-Irving and Cheatom Park, voted in favor of the installation of the Mini-Pitch Futsal Court Systems, as well as their proposed locations.
- Each system includes: Galvanized steel modular system (40-feet by 84-feet), fencing, one (1) LED Light fixture with lighting control system, built-in goals, benches, cup holders, three (3) ADA-compliant access points, lockable storage, court naming signage, donor recognition plaque, and acrylic court painting and striping.
- Prior to installation, the City will complete the necessary surfacing repairs and electrical connections. Following construction, the City will restore any disturbed turf areas at both parks. The City will also approve the donor recognition signage and installation location per the donation agreement.



Proposed location of the Mini-Pitch Futsal Court System at Cheatom Park.



Proposed location of the Mini-Pitch Futsal Court System at Evelyn K Davis Park.



Example of the Mini-Pitch System installed at Birdland Sports Complex.

- Kick It Forward was established in 2012 when the founder, Matt Sahag began taking equipment donations and providing private training in return for players raising money to donate to different charitable causes. Kick It Forward has a mission to foster community through soccer by developing athletic and life skills with youth to allow them to be a powerful resource during their life journey.
- Once the Mini-Pitch Futsal Court System installations are complete Des Moines Parks and Recreation will maintain the courts, process reservations, and manage recreational programming. These responsibilities will begin immediately upon acceptance of the construction, which is anticipated to be completed in fall 2020.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 16, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-2025](#) and [19-2026](#)

Action: Items regarding Futsal Court at Birdland Sports Park: ([Council Communication No. 19-528](#))

- (A) [Amendment](#) to Donation and Construction Agreement with Kick It Forward. Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.
- (B) [Acceptance](#) of Mini-Pitch System Futsal Court. Moved by Westergaard to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Change order for construction of surface improvements.

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