

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT REGARDING
2024 GRANT OF ARAPAHOE COUNTY OPEN SPACE PROGRAM FUNDS
PROJECT NAME: ORCHARD PARK ACTIVITIES**

This Intergovernmental Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between **THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ARAPAHOE, STATE OF COLORADO** (“County”), and the **CHERRY CREEK VISTA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**, a special district and political subdivision of the State of Colorado (“Grantee”) (collectively “Parties” and individually a “Party”).

RECITALS

- A. On November 2, 2021, the voters of the County permanently reauthorized, until repeal, a countywide sales and use tax to be deposited in the County Open Space Fund and used for specified open space purposes as set forth in County Resolution No. 21-263 (“Open Space Resolution”).
- B. The Open Space Resolution authorizes the County to award discretionary grants from its Open Space Fund to municipalities and special districts, as more fully set forth in the Open Space Resolution.
- C. On July 23, 2024, the County approved by resolution the Grantee’s grant proposal for the Orchard Park Activities (“Grant Project”), which is attached as Exhibit A, subject to the execution of an intergovernmental agreement.
- D. This Agreement is authorized by Article XIV, Section 18 of the Colorado Constitution and C.R.S. § 29-1-203.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, the County and the Grantee agree as follows:

- 1. Amount of Grant. The County awards Grantee an amount not to exceed \$500,000 (“Grant Funds”) for the Grant Project from the County Open Space Fund.
- 2. Use of Grant Funds. The Grantee agrees that it shall only use the Grant Funds for the Grant Project as described in Exhibit A.
- 3. Disbursement of Grant Funds. The County shall pay the Grant Funds via ACH transfer to the Grantee on a reimbursement basis upon receipt of the approved status report and documentation of expenditures as required by this Agreement and no more often than bi-annually. No more than 75% of the Grant Funds will be reimbursed prior to the final report approval. The final 25% of Grant Funds will be reimbursed following the Grant Project inspection and review and approval of the final report and Grant Project deliverables.

4. Time for Use of Grant Funds. The Grantee agrees that the Grant Project must begin within 60 days of the grant award notification. The Grantee agrees that the Grant Project will be completed and the Grant Funds will be expended no later than two years from the Effective Date, unless the County agrees in writing to a longer period of time. The Grantee understands and agrees that, if the Grant Project cannot be completed within the two-year period or by the end of the agreed-upon extension, the County may require that the Grant Funds be refunded to the County Open Space Fund, be re-distributed to another agency, and/or be used for another viable and timely project.
5. Interest on Grant Funds. The Grantee further agrees that, after receipt of the Grant Funds, the Grantee will use any interest earned on the Grant Funds only for the Grant Project.
6. Administration of Grant Project. The Grantee shall be responsible for the direct supervision and administration of the Grant Project. The County shall not be liable or responsible for any cost overruns on the Grant Project, nor shall the County have any duty or obligation to provide any additional funding for the Grant Project if the Grant Project cannot be completed with the awarded Grant Funds. Grantee also agrees to comply with all local, state, and federal requirements while completing the Grant Project unless specifically waived.
7. Grant Project Site Visits. Upon 24 hours' written notice to the Grantee, the Grantee agrees to allow the County to make site visits before, during, at the completion of, and/or after the Grant Project.
8. Acknowledgement of County by Grantee. The Grantee agrees to acknowledge the County as a contributor to the Grant Project in all publications, on-site construction signage, news releases, and other publicity issued by the Grantee related to the Grant Project and agrees to allow the County to do the same. If any events are planned in regard to the Grant Project, the County shall be acknowledged as a contributor in the invitation to such events. Grantee shall cooperate with the County in preparing public information pieces, providing photos of the Grant Project from time to time, and providing access to the Grant Project for publicity purposes. Event information, event materials, and press release information related to the Grant Project must be sent to the County Grants Program Administrator for review and filing.
9. Required Sign at Grant Project Site. The County agrees to provide a standard sign for the Grant Project. Grantee agrees to erect and permanently maintain at least one County sign in a publicly visible area in recognition of the grant from the Arapahoe County Open Space Program. If the Grantee wishes to use its own sign and design, the Grantee must submit the sign location, design, and wording to the County Grants Program Administrator for approval prior to manufacture and/or installation of such sign. Such sign shall be erected prior to the completion of the Grant Project or its public opening, whichever is earlier.
10. Report Requirements. On or before January 31 and July 31 annually, the Grantee agrees to provide the County with Grant Project Progress Reports that conform to the format provided by the County. Each Grant Project Progress Report shall include supporting financial documentation as requested in the form provided. Upon completion of the Grant

Project, the Grantee also agrees to submit to the County a Final Report that conforms to the format provided by the County; a final spreadsheet comparing the original budget to actual expenses that certifies Grant Funds used in compliance with the Open Space Resolution; supporting financial documentation as requested in the County report form; and high-resolution photographs of the progress and finished results of the Grant Project. The Final Report shall be submitted within three months of Grant Project completion unless the County agrees in writing to a longer period of time. The County shall be allowed to use information and images from these reports in publications, public information updates, and on the County's website.

11. Failure to Submit Required Reports. Upon written notice from the County's Open Space Grants Program Administrator informing the Grantee that it has failed to submit any required status report and/or final report, the Grantee shall submit such reports to the County's Open Space Grants Program Administrator within 30 days, and, if it fails to do so, the Grantee shall be deemed to be in violation of this Agreement.
12. Record-Keeping Requirements. The Grantee shall maintain a complete set of books and records documenting its use of the Grant Funds and its supervision and administration of the Grant Project. The County or any of its duly authorized representatives shall have reasonable access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Grantee that are pertinent to the Grant Project for the purpose of making an audit, examination, or excerpts. The Grantee shall keep all books, documents, papers, and records pertinent to the Grant Project for a minimum of three years from the Grant Project completion date. The Grantee agrees to report to the County any unexpended Grant Funds and consult with the County concerning proper accounting for unexpended Grant Funds.
13. Changes to Grant Project. The Grantee agrees and understands that its Grant Project, once it has been approved by the County, may not be changed without the County's prior written approval. Proposed changes must be formally requested using the applicable Grant Project Modification Form provided by the County. Changes may not begin until the County has issued a written approval, which may also require the execution of an amendment to this Agreement.
14. Maintenance. Grantee agrees to assume responsibility for continuous maintenance and public safety of open space lands, trails, recreation facilities, amenities, signage, and other projects funded by the Grant Funds for the useful life of the Grant Project, or a minimum of 10 years, in accordance with product warranties and/or the generally accepted standards in the parks/recreation community.
15. Change in Use. If Grantee wishes to dispose of or sell the property purchased with the Grant Funds or if the Grantee intends to use the Grant Project or property purchased with the Grant Funds for purposes other than the purposes specified in Exhibit A, Grantee shall provide written notice to the County. Grantee shall obtain the County's written consent prior to proceeding with such disposition, sale, or change in use. The County, in its sole discretion, may require Grantee to make a proportionate refund to the County based on the

value of the Grant Project or of the property purchased with the Grant Funds at the time of disposition, sale, or change in use.

16. Failure to Comply and Reimbursement of Grant Funds. The Grantee understands and agrees that the County may require the Grantee to reimburse the County if any portion of the Grant Funds is not used in accordance with its approved grant proposal and this Agreement. Failure to comply with this Agreement shall result in default, and the Grantee shall be ineligible for any future grants until the violation is remedied or after such other time period as determined by the County in its sole discretion.
17. Remedies. The rights and remedies of the County as set forth in this Agreement shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights or remedies provided by law.
18. No Waiver of Rights. A waiver by either Party of the breach of any term or provision of this Agreement shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by either Party.
19. Relationship of the Parties. The Grantee shall perform all duties and obligations under this Agreement as an independent contractor and shall not be deemed by virtue of this Agreement to have entered into any partnership, joint venture, employer/employee, or other relationship with the County.
20. No Third-Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Agreement shall give or allow any claim or right of action whatsoever by any third party, including, but not limited to, any agents or contractors of the Grantee.
21. Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any portion or previous version of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision. Any invalid or unenforceable portion or provision shall be deemed severed from this Agreement and, in such event, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to replace such invalidated provision in order to carry out the intent of the Parties in entering into this Agreement.
22. Written Amendment Required. This Agreement may be amended, modified, or changed, in whole or in part, only by written agreement duly authorized and executed by the Parties.
23. Venue. Venue for any legal action arising out of this Agreement shall be in Arapahoe County District Court, pursuant to the appropriate rules of civil procedure.
24. Notices. Notices under this Agreement shall be sent to:

COUNTY: Board of County Commissioners of Arapahoe County
5334 South Prince Street
Littleton, CO 80120-1136
and
Arapahoe County Attorney

5334 South Prince Street
Littleton, CO 80120-1136

and

Arapahoe County Open Spaces Grants Program Administrator
6934 S. Lima St., Unit A
Centennial, CO 80112

GRANTEE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District
P.O. Box 359
Littleton, CO 80160

25. Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado.
26. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together will constitute one and the same agreement.
27. Incorporation of Exhibits. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, any exhibits, applications, resolutions, or other documents referenced in this Agreement shall be incorporated by reference into this Agreement for all purposes. In the event of any conflicts between this Agreement and any attached documents, this Agreement shall control.
28. Section Headings. The headings for any section of this Agreement are only for the convenience and reference of the Parties and are not intended in any way to define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of this Agreement.
29. Assignment. The rights, or any parts of this Agreement, granted to the Parties in this Agreement may be assigned only with the prior written consent of the non-assigning Party.
30. Extent of Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties related to the Grant Project. The Parties agree that there have been no representations made regarding the subject matter of this Agreement other than those, if any, contained in this Agreement, and the various promises and covenants contained in this Agreement are mutually agreed upon and are in consideration of one another.
31. Signatures. The signatories to this Agreement represent that they are fully authorized to execute this Agreement and bind their respective entities.
32. Effective Date. This Agreement will become effective on the date of the Grantee's signature ("Effective Date").

Signature pages follow

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and the Grantee have executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

ATTEST:

CHERRY CREEK VISTA PARK AND
RECREATION DISTRICT

By: *J F Rieck*
Name: _____
Title: Jane Rieck
Assistant Treasurer

By: *Debra M Botton*
Name: _____
Title: Debra Botton
Date: Board President

09 / 11 / 2024

COUNTY OF ARAPAHOE
STATE OF COLORADO

By: *Margina Pingnot*
Margina Pingnot, Director, Open Spaces
Pursuant to Resolution No. 24-077

EXHIBIT A

Orchard Park Activities Grant

2024 Standard and Small Grant Application

Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District

Sarah Shepherd

sees@ccrider.us

Application Form

Application Summary

Primary Contact Information*

Please provide information for the primary contact for this project in the following format.

Agency:

Name:

Title:

Telephone:

Email:

Agency: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District

Name: Sarah Shepherd

Title: District Manager

Telephone: 303-482-1002 x 700

Email: sees@ccrider.us

Grant Category*

Select One:

- **Standard Grant:** \$150,001 - \$600,000, requiring a minimum of 25% total project cost cash match
- **Small Grant:** \$1,000 - \$150,000, requiring a minimum of 10% total project cost cash match

Standard Grant

Project Type*

Select One:

- **Trail Project:** Trail/trailhead construction or improvement, including stream/road crossings and trailhead amenities (such as parking or shelters); on-street trails and sidepaths for the purposes of (a) connecting an isolated neighborhood or activity center to a park, trail, open space, or school, and (b) connecting to a trail system included in a regional, County, or special district planning document
- **Site Improvement Project:** New construction, improvement, repair, or replacement of outdoor recreation facilities or amenities (such as playgrounds, shelters, sports fields, restrooms, or interior trail connections)
- **Environmental/Cultural Education Project:** Eligible projects include outreach materials (such as printed materials, video, or displays), installations (such as signage), or associated outdoor amenities (such as shelters or native landscaping)
- **Acquisition Project:** Eligible projects include fee simple acquisition of land for public open space, parks, or trails; or acquisition of a trail or conservation easement. *Additional application materials are required. Contact grants program staff to discuss projects in advance.*
- **Other Project:** Other allowable projects include stream/habitat restoration, natural re-vegetation, and water quality improvement. *Contact grants program staff to discuss projects in advance.*

Site Improvement Project

Project Title*

Orchard Park Activities Grant

Project Address*

11350 E Orchard Road, Englewood, CO 80111

Project Location*

Select a Jurisdiction or Unincorporated Arapahoe County:

Unincorporated Arapahoe County

GPS Coordinates (Latitude in Decimal Degrees)

Example: 39.5773033 (Dove Valley Regional Park)

30609270

GPS Coordinates (Longitude in Decimal Degrees)

Example: -104.828850 (Dove Valley Regional Park)

-104856990

Grant Request Amount*

\$500,000.00

Cash Match Amount*

\$168,000.00

Total Project Amount*

Total project amount includes grant request and cash match only. Please do not include in-kind match.

\$668,000.00

Cash Match Percentage*

Calculate cash match as % of total project cost.

25

Project Partners

List partner agencies if applicable.

No public partner agencies.

Executive Summary*

Provide a brief summary highlighting key points of your proposal, such as project description, goals, need, partnerships, etc.

The goal of the Orchard Park Activities project is to improve and reinvigorate this centrally-located neighborhood park with new and improved amenities, accessibility, and sustainable maintenance equipment to improve and increase the quality and use of the park. The District and project partners intend for the park to continue to be a place that hosts many kinds of uses: from active organized groups to individual recreation.

The project will result in an updated park that will serve the community for a long time as well as benefitting the Arapahoe County public community through the grant process itself, thereby making the community more aware of this wonderful program.

Plans for this project include:

[1] A renovated ADA playground with increased shade coverage, critical safety improvements, and new safety surfacing; [2] Repaired and improved tennis courts with new surfacing, egress gates, shaded benches and a court divider curtain; [3] Repaired sports field; [4] A new irrigation system with Smart water remote controls to reduce leaks, adjust for weather conditions, and matches zones and heads to the watering needs in different plant areas; [5] Additional pathways, seating, trash receptacles, and signage throughout the park to increase access and use; [6] Educational garden areas and interpretive features; [7] Sod reduction, replaced by native plantings, wood mulch and tree succession in passive-use areas; [8] Renovated picnic shelter with ADA picnic tables.

The scope described above will preserve and enhance the park's aesthetics by increasing the tree canopy and shade resources, while decreasing its water use and costs. These improvements will ensure that the park is better-utilized by its many user groups and individuals who frequent the park for their events, games and daily walking, biking, and passive-use routines including: soccer teams, tennis players, swim-team families, elementary schoolers, scout troops and more.

The need for these improvements is immediate and must be completed for the park to remain safe, accessible and sustainable. Funding is available now by virtue of the Board's budgeted matching dollars. Project partners and community groups are in full support of the project now. If the grant is not awarded, funds may not remain available in the future and the completion of these improvements may not be feasible without multi-year phasing, which would result in long visible construction closures and inefficient use of public funds.

Minimum Qualifications and Eligibility

Eligibility Question 1*

Please list your agency's ongoing Arapahoe County Open Spaces grant projects.

There is one project grant (Sunset Park Project Grant) which is currently underway and on track to be completed within both the two-year timeframe, and the anticipated budget and scope per the grant agreement. There are no other on-going Arapahoe County Open Space grant projects open at this time.

In the past six years, the District applied for and received the following project and planning grants from Arapahoe County Open Space: Planning Grants for Windemere Park, Cherry Creek Vista II Park, and Peakview Park, and Project Grants for Peakview Park, Lakeview Park Fields, Cherry Creek Vista II Park, Windemere Park and the Cottonwood Creek bike-path and bridge project. All grants were completed within their forecasted timelines or extensions, if needed, and per their outlined scopes and budgets.

The District is very grateful for the ongoing partnership with the ACOS throughout these projects and has benefitted from the ongoing learning from each planning and project grant. The planning and project processes shortened the planning time and made the resources for planning more efficient with the historic knowledge the planning and construction team applied to this project.

Eligibility Question 2*

How does this project align with the Arapahoe County Open Spaces Master Plan, Arapahoe County Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, an agency master plan, or other approved planning documents?

Please refer to the current Arapahoe County Open Spaces Master Plan adopted in June 2021. Plans are available on the ACOS website.

This “proactive*” design aligns with ACOS’s sustainable long-term master plan and is highest on the District’s master plan priority list.

Matching funds are provided through the District’s Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) allocation. The use of the ACOS grant funds/CTF funds align directly with the mission and vision of ACOS’ Master Plan/Pedestrian Master Plan in the following ways:

- 1) Increases aesthetic and recreational areas in the vicinity of watersheds in the SEMSWA drainage floodplains (to the North and East of the park);
- 2) Preserves and restores recreational amenities (new native plantings, playgrounds, repairs to the gazebo, ADA improvements throughout, outdoor sports facilities/fields/open space improvements);
- 3) Serves adults and youth by maintaining needed recreational resources, especially for recreation/USTA tennis leagues, soccer teams, ultimate frisbee league, recreational play, field-days, Scout troop events, swim team picnics+;
- 4) Continues the cooperative work amongst the County, District, and other partners/community members, to leverage financial and human efforts to benefit the public through each dollar invested by taxpayers. *Quote Ref. ACOS Master Plan.

Eligibility Question 3*

How does this project address specific objectives in the Arapahoe County Open Space Resolution #21-263?

Please note that this resolution replaces the previous Open Space Resolutions #030381/110637. The resolution is available on the ACOS website.

This project fulfills on the voter-approved measure to dedicate a .25% Open Space sales and use tax, of which 12% of the tax is made available by Arapahoe County Open Spaces’ (ACOS) Open Space and Trails Advisory Board (OSTAB) for the grant program to eligible incorporated municipalities and special districts within the County.

Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District, being one of the Special Districts within the County that provides recreational services and amenities, is eligible to receive these grant funds, if the application meets

the requirements set forth by the OSTAB. Specifically, this standard grant will allow the District to maintain and improve a regional and neighborhood park, which Orchard Park is, as it contains recreational parks/open space amenities and serves a wide variety of users within and outside of the District's boundaries (Ref.: Res. 21-263 Section 12 (d) and Exhibit A, Paragraph 4).

Construction for the proposed project will provide more "recreation opportunities for children, youth adults and older adults," specifically the ADA, playground, walkway, tennis courts, and irrigation improvements, for all user types (Exhibit A, Paragraph 5).

Certification and Authorized Signature Form*

Please attach completed Certification and Authorized Signature Form as a PDF document. Form must be signed by highest authority in agency or authorized individual. *Required forms are available on the ACOS website.*

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_SignatureForm.pdf*

1- Certification and Authorized Signature Form Orchard 2024 Signed.pdf

Project Timeline

Project Timeline Form*

Please attach completed Project Timeline Form as a PDF document. *Required forms are available on the ACOS website.*

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_TimelineForm.pdf*

2 - Project Timeline Form - Orchard Park Activities Project Grant.pdf

Project Budget

Budget Narrative*

Provide a clear and concise budget narrative. Include details about expenses in each budget category, justification for any unusual line items, and an explanation of how you arrived at these estimates. Include amount and sources of matching funds.

Detailed Expense:

"Professional Services:" site plan completion, construction oversight, coordination, progress/final inspections/surveying amongst all project teams. Includes signage throughout park and outreach to full community via mail/other media to publicize the ACOS grant program and signage to acknowledge the grant award. Expenses are covered by grantee match, and partner matches and based on estimates by consultants/recent project actual costs in 2024.

"Construction:" Site preparation for irrigation and landscape improvements/repairs, tree installation, sports field repairs/amenities install, ADA improvements, drainage, tennis court amenities/rock border, boulders, native plant installation, interpretive signage production/installation, gazebo repair, tennis court

resurface/windcreens, divider and benches, pathway installation and general contractor costs. Expenses are split amongst grant/grantee cash match. Based on current estimates/recent project actual costs in 2024.

"Playground & Site Amenities:" Site prep, curbing/ramp, safety surfacing, and playground equipment shade-cap materials, delivery and install, gazebo and picnic amenities, park benches and tables, soccer net, trash cans material and install. Split amongst grant/grantee cash match. Based on current estimates in 2024.

Summary Expense: 25% cash match requirement exceeded by District and partner. In-kind match amounts are not tallied in budget worksheet, but are included in partner support letters.

Budget Forms*

Please attach completed Summary Budget Form and Detailed Expense Budget Form as a single PDF document. *Required forms are available on the ACOS website.*

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_BudgetForms.pdf*

3 - Budget Forms Orchard Park 2024.pdf

Project Narrative

Question 1*

Describe the project goals, scope, and expected results. Describe project elements, including useful life. Discuss the current condition of the project site and the improvements that are proposed. Discuss how this project improves access to the outdoors, connectivity, and/or educational opportunities.

The Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District has made the improvement of Orchard Park its top priority in 2024. The District recognizes the potential for increased high-value amenities and access at the park, which is a key strategy to meet the District's mission of providing recreation opportunities to suit and engage all its residents' and users.

The main goal of the park improvement plan is to construct an (ADA) accessible, safe, sustainable, aesthetic, and useful park, featuring safety and accessibility updates, community outreach, conservation and recreation goals. This goal is the same as with other park projects, but with specialized plans and features due to the unique nature of the park. These improvements include:

[1] an ADA accessible playground with shade amenities, re-surfaced pit and safe, updated equipment, [2] resurfacing and repairs to the two tennis courts, adding a curtain divider between the courts, adding shaded benches, new trash cans and windcreens, replacing the entrance gate with a new safe egress gate, and expanding the rock-border around the courts to better shield the surface from irrigation water damages; [3] additional picnic tables/benches/trash amenities distributed throughout the park; [4] repaired sports field sod to promote increased and safer use by regional soccer leagues, adult exercise groups, youth scout groups and elementary school fields day activities, Swim Team events, ultimate frisbee camps and more; [5] repaired gazebo and ADA picnic tables; [6] additional connector pathway from the West path to the Gazebo along the South fence-line of the swimming pool deck; [7] water-wise plantings, mulching and educational amenities around the park's borders and adjacent to the gazebo area; [8] trees replacements; [9] the full replacement of the irrigation system to improve water efficiency, save on ongoing water and system costs, improve the health of the plants, grasses and trees at the park.

These amenities will last many years under the current management and maintenance practices, with many of the fixed assets lasting upwards of 20 years, and many being permanent improvements.

The key deliverables listed above will be detailed in community outreach communications to promote and build awareness of the ACOS grants program as well as the benefits of this proposed project including: the project timeline, budget, features, and the intended celebration and acknowledgement events once the project is completed.

As this is a construction project with recreational elements, the goal of signage will be to educate the public to be good stewards and safe users of the park. Signs at park entrances and at educational gardens will detail safety, use, and maintenance information facts, as well as funding partner acknowledgments.

The current condition of the park, especially the playground and tennis courts is unacceptable. There are clear safety issues and maintenance needs which necessitate these major renovations.

Regarding connectivity: The park is a central hub for activity and community gathering throughout the year. Three major access points, by way of the public parking lot/street parking, and two public walking paths spurs, are available and will be maintained with the new site plan.

Please reference the photo attachments to review the current conditions and features of the park that have been described above. Please refer to the site map for orientation and overlay of the proposed plan. The plan will be ready for build-out quickly, with the first steps being parallel work to: [1] complete the site survey; [2] select the construction contractor, and [3] order site amenities and playground equipment. Demolition and site preparation of current facilities will follow the initial work, while the District Manager and Landscape Architect oversee small repairs such as re-staining the gazebo, signage orders, and communications.

Sod will be removed in irrigation trench areas and native garden areas during site preparation stages, followed by plantings of native varieties and trees, installation of rock and wood mulch, the concrete perimeter pathway and playground equipment, and tennis court resurfacing, egress gate, bench and curtain divider installation.

The final stage of construction involves installation of new sod to recover the irrigation-line trenching, followed by installation of signage, tables, benches and trash cans, culminating in a dedication event.

These improvements will be maintained under current annual budgeted amounts. The expected life for features are as follows: approximately 20 years for playground equipment, 5-10 years for playground safety surfacing, 20-30 years for the irrigation system, 5-10 year for the tennis court repairs and improvements, more than 50 years for the sports field (with ongoing maintenance and aeration/focused re-seeding about every 5 years), and at least 10 years for the trees, new landscape materials, trash cans, benches, picnic tables, and educational amenities/signage. Costs for large and small components of the project have been addressed in the budget and timeline, prior to this grant application.

Root Partnership, Proof Engineers, Hydrosystems Inc., Recreation Plus, Renner Tennis, JBK Landscape Inc., and Circuit Rider of Colorado, will oversee the project. This group is composed of architecture design, irrigation systems design, management and engineering disciplines, who will oversee the entire scope of the construction process. Long-term maintenance will be performed by JBK Landscape Inc. and management, to ensure the vision of the plan continues beyond installation. Each contractor has been chosen based on proven successes and experience, as well as their willingness to participate in this collaboration and to dedicate in-kind services toward the project.

Question 2*

Describe the community/neighborhood and user groups the project will serve. Discuss the type of users (children, families, seniors, sports leagues, etc.), and estimate the number of users that will benefit annually. How did you arrive at this estimate? Describe how this project will address inclusivity per Americans with Disabilities Act guidelines.

Community support letters are encouraged; include up to five in the Attachments section.

Orchard Park is the most centrally-located park within the District and therefore sees a significant amount of use from the District's 4,000+ residents as well as a large amount of non-resident users, especially by way of organized sports teams and leagues who visit the park for games/meets/matches, and people who travel the pathways or use the park during their break times. During COVID-19 in 2020, the park saw an enormous amount of use by these user groups, and continues to see high use over the past several years.

Yearly users certainly exceeds the number of residents in the community, with these counts of participants detailed further below, which includes user source estimates.

District residents use the park for their daily dog walks, parties, gatherings and as an exercise venue.

Daily, weekly and seasonal users within the District and from regional sports leagues and teams include: children and families who use the playground and playing fields, recreational and competitive tennis players (the District has over 17 adult home-teams participating in the USTA programs as well as summer youth educational programs which use the Orchard courts as their main gathering place due to: the central location, accessibility of bathrooms, and adjacency to the pool facility for swim activities before or after tennis lessons.

USTA tennis representatives estimate that at least 20 players use the courts at least 3 days per week for 7-8 months of the year; youth tennis lessons and leagues meet throughout the summer for multiple age groups and skill-levels. Soccer leagues practice and compete in games throughout the Spring and Fall seasons (5-7 days per week for 6 months per year with multiple games on the field at one time). Swim team meets, practices, and social events use the park fields and gazebo from Memorial Day till mid-July. The park hosts Cottonwood Creek Elementary Field days, Scout troop events, birthday parties, business lunches and many more gatherings during warm weather months. Daily walkers, joggers, stroller-pushers, bikers, frisbee players, dog-walkers, including people with seen and unseen disabilities in all categories, have been observed regularly at the park. Ultimate frisbee league camps, outdoor fitness and yoga classes are also hosted at park.

The new site plan will increase use amount and quality for all these user groups:

Soccer teams such as Rapids Soccer, Storm Soccer and Skyline Soccer utilize the soccer field for practices and games during the Spring and Fall and will likely maintain or increase these same levels of use in the future. Rapids Soccer has a team of 30+ youth who utilize this field as their home practice and game field, comprised of District and non-District resident families who reside in neighboring communities within the County.

Orchard Park's tennis courts host at least 20 hours of USTA matches (doubles and singles on a weekly basis from March through October), with many more drill practices and recreational users during nearly any month of the year when the courts are clear of snow.

The District has a reservation calendar to record permit use for the park's gazebo and field. New picnic amenities, and the repair of the gazebo with ADA accessible seating, will increase use at gatherings such as birthday parties, scout meetings, swim team socials, work events and picnics. The new site plan will also expand use

and gathering opportunities at the additional seating areas planned around the perimeter walkway. Additional shaded landings at the playground, as well as safety surfacing and equipment refurbishing/replacement will benefit children and their families using these central features.

All users will benefit from increased seating and trash receptacles, ADA accessible picnic tables with ADA pathways at and to the gazebo, ADA surfacing and safety improvements at the playground, tennis courts, and field for less physical and financial risk to users and the District, as well as improvements to the community

and beyond with water-saving plant installations, sod reduction in passive-use areas, and irrigation improvements. Additional aesthetic and educational resources will be focal points in the park: the tree replacements, and native plantings near the gazebo and around the perimeter of the park will bring pleasing visual diversity and will encourage residents to implement these kinds of improvement at their own properties.

Question 3*

Discuss the need and urgency for this project. Is this part of a multiphase project? If so, describe the work already completed and plans for future phases. What opportunities will be lost if this project or phase is not funded now?

There are three critical conditions that demonstrate the great need and urgency in funding this project at now, as illustrated in the photo attachments and letters provided:

1) There are safety updates that need to be addressed as soon as possible so the park may continue to be used in a safe manner and according to its current intended purpose. Especially high on this list are the tennis courts, playground equipment, gazebo and multi-use field. The park's amenities are not up to safety or current ADA standards.

The tennis court surfacing is chipped and cracked and the entrance gate to the court needs to be replaced for safety purposes and to discourage non-tennis access that continues to damage the courts. If not repaired soon, the concrete underlying the court surface is in danger of being damaged, which would add significant cost to repair. Some of this is due to age, inappropriate (non-tennis) uses, as well as inadequate protective rock edging that could keep water away from the court surface if expanded.

The playing field has holes and needs sod reconditioning in heavily-used areas like the goal boxes, as well as areas that host swim meet spectators (the grass to the South of the pool area) during large events. The current irrigation system needs to be repaired at the same time as the sod in order to make the use of funds worthwhile and to begin saving on water use and water costs in a meaningful way. Given the major expense of the irrigation system, a piece-by-piece phasing is not economical or functionally serviceable.

More benches, picnic tables and ADA amenities are needed both to be replaced under the gazebo/picnic area, as well as disbursed around more segments of the park.

The playground landing zones, stairs, ropes and swings are beyond their safe and useable age, with peeling surfaces exposing metal that can cause burns on hot days, tripping hazards due to the peeled safety layers, rope-burn/cuts due to the exposed metal in the rope features, missing pieces of the main play area, and needed replacement of dated, unsafe swings and swing-chains.

The awareness raised during the planning process as to these current safety lapses, if unaddressed, could result in either decreased access to current users or increased cost if someone is hurt, especially at the gazebo, field, tennis courts or playground.

2) Funds of \$168,000 have been earmarked by the Board's unanimous approval to fund this project, and the grant is supported by project partners. Time is of the essence to use these dedicated matching funds and focus. It would be a disappointment to the community and park users to not repair these facilities and possibly face limited access/closures while a phased project is completed over several years.

3) The major partners and plans are aligned and ready to commence work on this project. The risk of stalling out, phasing, or needing to re-authorize support puts the success of completing the project at risk. There is community awareness, support and excitement, especially with the past successes of other grant projects that have informed this proposed project.

The other challenge would be to decide which improvements should be made first if phasing were necessary. What would come first? Access/ADA upgrades? Playground/tennis courts? Irrigation/field or landscaping/sod reduction? These phases are not impossible, but not ideal, especially the large costs for sod reduction, landscaping installations and irrigation replacement, which would need to be done concurrently. Phasing would increase overall project costs as well, as it would require multiple bid processes and years of project implementation.

Question 4*

Summarize any planning completed prior to submitting this grant proposal. Is design and engineering complete? Does the project necessitate a zoning change? List any permits or approvals that need to be obtained (county or city planning, stormwater, federal 404 permit, etc.) and their status.

Include any time needed for these efforts in the Project Timeline. Planning costs incurred up to 6 months prior to application submission may be eligible for inclusion in match with prior approval from grants program staff.

A full planning process had been completed with the help of the planning project team, Board of Directors for the District and community stakeholder and user input.

The planning of the project benefitted from multiple grants awarded to other projects that the District completed through grants by ACOS. Most related to this application were the planning and project grants for Peakview Park, and the project grant for Sunset Park, which is currently under construction.

Due to the similar needs of Orchard Park to that of Sunset Park and Peakview Park, and the similar park sizes and similar amenities needing repairs and improvements between Sunset Park and Orchard Park, the planning process for this application gained many efficiencies of planning and budgeting.

The collaborative planning effort involved the participation of active users, sports-league/team leadership (park renters, USTA league leaders, tennis pros/education coordinators, soccer team coordinator, Swim Team Parent representatives, pool management representatives, park maintenance providers), board members, at-large community members, and planning professionals and consultants. Planning consultants took the input to plan a scope that anticipates permitting and design requirements from Arapahoe County and SEMSWA.

Multiple virtual and on-site meetings were held with these stakeholders and design professionals (Root Partnership for landscape design and concept/site plans; Proof Civil Engineers for GESC, drainage and site plan preparations; Recreation Plus for playground, safety design and site amenities; Renner Tennis for tennis court repair design and renovations; Hydrosystems Inc. for irrigation system/controller design and repairs; JBK Landscape Inc. for landscape design and long-range maintenance estimates and planning, and other contractors for minor maintenance and repair cost estimates).

All these stakeholders provided input related to the District's Master plan. Recommendations were presented at two public board meetings/site visit working sessions and were approved with meaningful input throughout.

The planning process has been discussed, and has received no objections, formal or informal (therefore none is included in the attachments section).

All user groups who were invited to participate have provided letters of support, with in-kind donations provided by the planning and construction oversight teams who have all been involved in the planning and ongoing work on the project.

The full site plan and engineering work will be completed within a short time-frame if the grant is awarded, given the simple scope of the surveying and site plan design. A discussion over the scope of the plan has been reviewed according to Arapahoe County Planning and Health Departments, Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority, and South Metro Fire Protection District guidelines. At this time, the planning team does not

anticipate a need to apply for permits from these entities, unless specified measurements are not borne out in the site survey. However, permit estimates have been calculated and included in the budget, in case permitting is needed after all.

The project does not necessitate a zoning change as the land is currently utilized as a public park and will continue to be utilized as such.

Question 5*

Describe how the project will be completed within the required two-year timeframe. Discuss the agency's capacity to complete the project, including project management, resources, and experience implementing similar projects.

This description should match the Project Timeline.

As listed in the project timeline:

The anticipated surveying and site plan will begin immediately after the grant is awarded and the IGA executed by the County and District, concurrently with document preparation for the bidding process and any permits that need to be issued by the County/SEMSWA, though none or few are anticipated at this time. This initial organizing phase will be complete within a few months after notice, if the grant is awarded.

Playground and site amenities will be ordered shortly after review and approval by the Board, during which time the bid set will be prepared and published. Both these activities will occur within 3-6 months of the grant award and organizing process. Once a construction contractor is selected and site/playground amenities ordered, the contractor will be ready to perform the work detailed in the site plan between the contract award date and 3-6 months after groundbreaking occurs, with a one-month buffer allowed on each side to account for possible weather or activity conflicts or delays, as we intend to keep the park open for use as much as possible during the organizing phase of the project.

The engineers, design and oversight team are ready and assembled, with costs for the tennis court work, playground improvements, irrigation system, and landscaping and site furnishings ready for the bidding process.

The timeline allows for an additional year-long contingency window to complete the project, should another challenging COVID-19 shutdown, pricing or labor costs or amenity availability, or weather events delay any part of the project timeline detailed above. Should any of these delays occur or any other possible challenges arise, the design team has experienced in other cases that an additional year contingency will allow for ample opportunity to address these delays and still complete the project on time. For example, contingencies for inclement weather would push either or both the site preparation and installation to the Fall of 2025 instead of Spring/Summer 2025, which would still allow for the park construction completion to occur by Spring of 2026, months in advance of the 2-year schedule limit.

Oversight and selection of the construction contractor will be overseen by the District's management team, as well as Proof Civil Engineers, Root Partnership Landscape Architects, Recreation Plus Playground designers/installers, Hydrosystems Inc. irrigation designers, and Renner Sports Tennis Construction. This team was involved during the full term of the planning process and has worked together successfully on prior projects. The planning group knows the project scope very well. The project timeline gives appropriate consideration for site-visits, pre-bid, pre-construction and work-plan progress/review by multiple parties including, the aforementioned oversight team, as well as the District's landscape maintenance company representatives, JBK Landscape. Outside inspections and coordination are also assumed in the schedule, if needed, through SEMSWA and Arapahoe County, as well as utility locates and material testing experts, throughout the construction process, and are accounted for in the proposed construction timeline of 4 months.

The planning team has anticipated lead times that have shortened in recent months for ordering materials, equipment and supplies, including park benches, playground equipment, and irrigation materials. Still, additional time for ordering is built in, just in case longer times come into play again.

Circuit Rider of Colorado and Root Partners will coordinate with Denver Water representatives to produce educational amenities to highlight water saving plantings, irrigation and sod reduction.

Communications will occur throughout the project on the District website, at regular meetings, and at a dedication event at the completion of construction. The celebration dedication will occur near the end of 2025 along with final reporting activities.

Question 6*

Summarize any efforts to obtain public input, disseminate information to the public, develop partnerships, and garner community support for this project. Evidence of a transparent public process will be required. List the stakeholders that are involved. Discuss any known or anticipated opposition to this project and how this will be addressed.

If applicable, include letters, petitions, or other documents evidencing opposition in the Attachments section.

Planning Meetings were held online, in-person and by phone for input from combinations of user-group leaders, District Residents, District Board members, and planning contractors and experts. One formal site visit, with multiple additional informal site visits occurred with the same groups. The engineers and park-design team engaged with Arapahoe County and SEMSWA's planning and permitting guidelines to ensure the plans will fit into current zoning and water quality requirements and guidelines.

Two formal Board meetings were held where District Management reported on project design recommendations, scope and budget details, with recommendations to the Board regarding overall concepts as well as specific detail on the plans. Website and email notices and requests for input were utilized to garner input and share about the project planning process and outcomes with project designers, Board members, community members and user-group stakeholders.

Community and partner support letters are included in the letter attachments, showing understanding of the project scope is known and supported by these various groups and individuals. These letters confirm support from residents, park users, partners and community organizations who use the park the most.

Each open public meeting, including the specific meetings review progress during planning, included input and participation from the listed planning and maintenance partners and others. All partners who were requested to provide letters of support or in-kind donations responded and provided a letter.

Denver Water's representative is excited about the District's ongoing implementation of their "active use" turf initiatives in the project. This program helps Denver Water's large water users determine good uses for active recreation where turf grass is needed, and also identifies ways to reduce turf in "inactive" areas, promoting the installation of native grass and other plantings to reduce water use while not impact the enjoyment of open spaces and parks (the District happens to be the smallest large water user within Denver Water's service area).

Additionally, the public hearing held in November 2023 approved the 2024 Budget, which included the Conservation Trust Fund dollars that are dedicated to this grant's budgeted matching funds.

The March 2024 Board meeting, and March 2024 Special Working Session walk-through of Orchard Park, included concept presentations and discussion with Board members, park users, stakeholders and the design team. At the March 2024 Board meeting, the grant resolution and project concept were approved with

unanimous support from the District's Board of Directors. No opposition comments have been received, to date, as provided in the opposition attachment document.

It is also important to mention the benefit this project gained through prior planning and project grants received from ACOS. The planning grant for Peakview Park in 2020 followed by a project grant at Peakview Park had served to support the design and planning of Sunset Park, which is currently under construction through a 2022 ACOS project grant. Now the Peakview Park planning grant serves us again for the grant proposal at Orchard Park. Because of these planning and project grants, this proposal benefitted from validated costs and processes, gaining many efficiencies of planning, budgeting, and communication with planning and community groups. The planning for this project was not glossed over, but gained many insights from those prior grants, increasing the reach of those funds granted by Arapahoe County Open Spaces.

Question 7*

How much of your cash match is secured? If applicable, what are your plans for securing additional funds? Describe cash and in-kind match partnerships established for this project.

Include partner support letters in the Attachments section and include cash match from partners on the Budget Forms. Grant recipients are responsible for cost overruns.

100% of the cash match of \$168,000 is secured, as presented in the budget attachment. The District has dedicated its matching funds for the construction project in its ratified 2024 budget which followed the full statutory approval process, begun in September 2023 and finalized in January 2024. Since the cash match is secured in total, there is no need for plans to secure additional funds at this time.

Please reference Attachment 1 for the District's Resolution as its official allocation of the funds to this grant.

In addition please reference Attachment 4 for the partner support letters. The letter from Circuit Rider of Colorado accounts for the additional \$1,000 of cash match, as well as in-kind dedications of funds totaling over \$3,000, from Root Partners, Proof Civil Engineers, Hydrosystems Inc, and Recreation Plus. Their letters of support include detail on scope and amount of donated services for: architecture design oversight, engineering oversight, playground design and installation, and irrigation design oversight.

If additional funds are required because of project scope or cost overruns, the District will provide those dollars over and above the funding provided by the grant and the current match amounts from surpluses in other budget areas. These surpluses come especially from general operating park budget funds, which annually support park improvements across each of the District's park.

Question 8*

Describe any scenic, historic, or cultural values associated with the project site. Will they be impacted, preserved, or restored? Discuss natural resources at the site (habitat, water, wildlife, vegetation, etc.) and impacts to these resources as a result of this project. If applicable, discuss environmental sustainability benefits of this project (energy or water conservation, water quality improvement, etc.).

The park is fairly standard in its layout, size and design for a community recreation park. Still, there are a number of natural, cultural and economic values associated with the park, which humans, their pets and wildlife utilize:

[1] Trees that are thriving will be preserved within the plan. Several trees will be removed and replaced due to health issues. Trees will be added/replaced, depending upon market costs at bid contract, to the pathways, playground and field areas for shade coverage. These tree removals and additions will be added to the District's Tree Inventory document. This document was developed to help the District map, protect, prioritize and plan for succession of all trees in the District's facilities. Some trees are identified as legacy trees that

should be highly protected, as well as trees that may need to be replaced sooner than later due to common or anticipated pests or diseases, such as emerald ash borer, chlorosis, weather damage etc.

[2] A long-term cultural value that the plan preserves is the importance of this park as the central point within the District boundary and neighborhoods, with its direct connection to both Cottonwood Creek Elementary School's Park and playground, as well as the District's community pool facility, which just constructed a new community building in 2022-2023. The park also boasts many active and passive amenities, including its picnic gazebo, walking paths, soccer field, tennis courts, playground and parking area with compost drop-off and port-o-let facilities. Orchard Park isn't the largest park in square footage, but the park experiences the most use and biggest variety of active recreation uses of all the District's parks.

The community is thriving and cycling through a variety of ages and families. These residents within the District are not the only park users. Long-term relationships with regional soccer teams (Colorado Rapids Youth Programs), USTA Tennis league teams and tennis lessons, Scout Troops, Viking Swim Team, Cottonwood Creek Elementary Field Days, Ultimate Frisbee camps (and more) attract a variety of users throughout the seasons, weeks and days.

The parking lot and streets are often overflowing during summer swim meets, school events, tennis and soccer games and practice times on evenings and weekends. During a weekday morning or afternoon, low occupancy is often enjoyed by family groups or individuals taking a loop around the park, running around on the playground's unique amenities, or throwing balls for their dog.

[3] Vegetation species at the park are man-made/imported turf, deciduous and evergreen trees and some native and non-native shrubs and perennial flowers. The site plan proposes to decrease turf grass in "passive" areas, while increasing native flora in those garden areas where turf is reduced around the gazebo, tennis courts, playground and outside the perimeter pathways. The turf will be replaced with new plantings and drip irrigation system service, as well as keeping old and new trees and turf healthier and lowering water use with proper irrigation by way of the replaced system. These native plantings will help support increased wild insect and bird activity, as has been successfully demonstrated at other park projects, especially as each park grows similar plants and more residential landscaping is transitioned to better support these native species. Wild animals, which have been noted in the District's parks through the eBird program include: field mice, snakes, insects, raptor birds and songbirds, coyotes, prairie dogs and more. Many of these wild species were the original natives of this area, now occupied by turf grass. These populations will not be affected by the park renovation, as the park already had established use by humans and dogs.

Question 9*

Discuss ownership and legal access at the proposed project site. Detail any third-party rights, easements, or other encumbrances that exist and their effect on the project.

Provide supporting documentation showing ownership, legal access, and/or permission from landowner in the Attachments section.

The District owns Orchard park, as shown in the Attachment 9, and can access the park by way of its own parking lot (North side of the park) from the public roadway, and via points East via a street and walkway, as well as convenient access points along sidewalks that surround the park.

Construction staging will occur on the District's property, in the parking lot, and on the existing sidewalks and field itself. No third-party rights, easements, or encumbrances exist that might impede access or construction with the planned scope of work.

Potential permit fees, included in the grant scope and budget, are related to ADA curbing and sidewalk drainage. These permitting requirements will be limited to total square footage of impervious surfaces, under limits per SEMSWA.

Question 10*

Describe long-term plans for maintaining the project. Who will be responsible for maintenance? Estimate annual costs to maintain the project site and explain how maintaining the site will affect the responsible agency's budget.

The District is and will be fully responsible for the long-term maintenance of the park after construction. The park is currently insured, monitored and fully maintained by the District's maintenance contractors, especially the ongoing landscape maintenance by JBK Landscape Inc. Additionally, a 1-year warranty will be required to be made on construction of the park, plus other warranties by the manufacturers of site amenities and equipment. Further, the funding for ongoing park maintenance is supported by the District's general operating mill levy increase and annually set field-use fees. The general mill levy was authorized in a 2014 TABOR election and "de-TABORED" in a 2020 election, to allow the District to continue to support maintenance costs for years to come as costs increase over time, as long as the District exists to serve the community as described in its Service Plan.

The maintenance currently provided includes all regular park maintenance, such as playground, field, garden, tree, tennis court and irrigation oversight, mowing, leaf removal, trash collection, snowplowing and other regular services. Current maintenance work will not alter in cost or scope due to the planned construction elements of the re-designed park. The CivicRec reservation system for the district will (still) allow the public to reserve and use the fields, courts and gazebo for activities not limited to, but including: USTA Tennis/youth and adult tennis lesson, parties, soccer, ultimate frisbee, Scout troop and swim team socials, yoga classes, elementary school field day, and other organized and recreational programs.

The addition of the native garden areas, signage, walking path, and turf restoration will be the only amenities to minimally increase annual maintenance, which are planned to be funded by the field-user fees or through anticipated water reduction savings, but will fall under the current general maintenance costs.

Water-savings is expected from the new irrigation system's effectiveness and efficiency, as well as reduction in square footage of high water use turf areas through the installation of the native garden areas near the gazebo, around the park's circumference pathway, and reducing sod square footage around the tennis court.

Tennis court and soccer nets will still be replaced when needed, about every 3-5 years at \$200 and \$250 per net, through current general operating funds. The soccer field will be attended to with seeding and filtration maintenance within the regular maintenance service contract. The field will likely not need frequent repair work with the new irrigation system to keep the sod healthier overall, especially in high use areas, as has been shown with similar project scopes at other District parks.

The District is well equipped to complete this project, as it has adequately planned prior projects in a similar fashion. These project were for parks of similar size and scope. The planning team, whose letters of support are attached, have worked together on these numerous past grant projects. The planning team will complete a bid packet with accompanying cost estimates in order to begin the bid process as soon as possible, if the grant is awarded.

The District's past record of successfully completed grant-funded parks and projects includes: the Peakview Park Planning and Project Grants, Lakeview Park Fields Project Grant, Cherry Creek Vista II Planning and Project Grants, Windemere Park Site Planning and Project Grants, and the Cottonwood Creek Trail Planning and Projects Grants. These projects represent the District's main grant projects over the past 11 years.

Attachments

Attachment 1: Evidence of Support from Highest Authority*

Please attach evidence of support from the agency's highest authority (official letter or resolution) as a PDF document. At a minimum, this document must include: project title, amount of grant funds requested, statement that matching funds are secured and/or efforts to secure funds are underway (include the amount of matching funds committed), and certification that the project will be open to the public or serve a public purpose upon completion. *A sample resolution is available on the ACOS website.*

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_SupportHighestAuthority.pdf*

Attachment 1 - CCVPRD_-_Orchard_Park_Grant_Resolution_2024 Signed.pdf

Attachment 2: Evidence of Community Support*

Please attach up to 5 letters of support from users, working groups, community members, volunteers, schools, etc. as a single PDF document. Letters should be specific to the project and dated within the last 6 months.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_CommunitySupport.pdf*

Attachment 2 - Evidence of Community Support Orchard Park 2024.pdf

Attachment 3: Documentation of Opposition*

Please attach documentation of opposition to the project (such as letters, petitions, articles, etc.) as a single PDF document. If there is no known opposition, please attach a page stating that this section is not applicable.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_Opposition.pdf*

Attachment 3 - Documentation of Opposition Orchard 2024.pdf

Attachment 4: Evidence of Commitment from Project Partners*

Please attach evidence of commitment from project partners (such as partner support letters, commitment to provide cash/in-kind match, or maintenance agreements) as a single PDF document. There is no maximum allowable number of partner support letters. If there are no partners for this project, please attach a page stating that this section is not applicable.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_PartnerCommitments.pdf*

Attachment 4 - Evidence of Commitment from Project Partners Orchard Park 2024.pdf

Attachment 5: Primary Project Photo*

Please attach one high resolution photo in JPG format. Please choose the photo that provides the best overall representation of your project. This photo will be used for presentations and/or publications.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_PrimaryPhoto.jpg*

Attachment 5- Primary Project Photo Orchard Park 2024.jpg

Attachment 6: Photos*

Please attach photos of existing conditions at the project site (including captions) as a single PDF document. Include conceptual drawings if applicable.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_Photos.pdf*

Attachment 6 - Photos Orchard Park 2024 reduce.pdf

Attachment 7: Maps*

Please attach a site map and a vicinity map as a single PDF document.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_Maps.pdf*

Attachment 7 - Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District Orchard Park Project Maps.pdf

Attachment 8: Site Visit Form*

Please attach a completed site visit form as a PDF document. *Required forms are available on the ACOS website.*

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_SiteVisitForm.pdf*

Attachment 8 - Site Visit Form Orchard 2024.pdf

Attachment 9: Evidence of Property Ownership/Access*

Please attach evidence of property ownership/legal access (ArapaMAP parcel information, title commitment, etc.) as a PDF document.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_EvidenceofOwnership.pdf*

Attachment 9 - Evidence of Property Ownership AccessArapahoe County- Parcel Search 11350 E Orchard Road.pdf

Attachment 10: Other Attachments

Please attach additional supporting documentation (news articles, cost estimates, etc.) as a single PDF document.

Please name your file as follows: *Applicant_OtherAttachments.pdf*

Confirmation

Please click the "I Agree" button below to certify that your application is complete and ready to submit. Once submitted, applications are final and cannot be returned.*

I agree

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- 1- Certification and Authorized Signature Form Orchard 2024 Signed.pdf
- 2 - Project Timeline Form - Orchard Park Activities Project Grant.pdf
- 3 - Budget Forms Orchard Park 2024.pdf
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OPEN SPACES

Certification and Authorized Signature Form

Please use this form for the Arapahoe County Open Spaces grant application.

By signing this form, I certify that:

- The information included in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.
- If funded, the applicant commits to completing the proposed project.
- If funded, the applicant accepts responsibility for any cost overruns necessary to complete the project.
- If funded, the completed project will be open to the public or will otherwise serve a public purpose.
- If funded, the applicant agrees to maintain the completed project site or to continue its maintenance agreement with a partner agency as outlined in the application.
- I am authorized to sign on behalf of the applicant.

Authorized Signature (highest authority in agency or authorized individual)

April 9, 2024

Date

Sarah E. E. Shepherd, District Manager

Printed Name and Title

Orchard Park Activities Grant
Grant Project or Joint Project Name



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2024 - Project Timeline Form

Task	Aug 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	June 2025	July 2025	Aug 2025	Sept 2025
Grant Notification & IGA Execution	08/01													
Website Notification Recognizing County (ACOS) grantor of Citizen's Tax as Funding Source	08/31													
Site Survey and Final Plan/Permitting if necessary														
Approved plan set from SEMSWA/Arapahoe County as necessary														
Amenity Ordering: (playground/benches/tables/tennis court accessories/signage)														
Contractor Selection and Contract Execution														
Complete per bid process: General Contractor for oversight, site prep, landscaping; irrigation; Tennis; Soccer field; native plantings)								01/01-03/31						
Progress Report #1 to ACOS						1/31								
Construction Begins (weather permitting): Irrigation system, tennis court resurfacing and amenities, soccer field upgrade, new playground with shade, installation of mulch plant materials/trees, installation of native garden and signage, benches/picnic tables/trash cans, pathways, educational amenities										01/04-01-07/31				
Substantial Completion/Punchlist Walkthrough											6/30			
Final Acceptance Walkthrough and Progress Report #2 to ACOS												7/31		
Website Notice, Press Release, and Stewardship/Celebration for County (ACOS) and other contributors and partners (depending on schedule, weather, etc.)														9/30
Final Report to County (ACOS)														

Summary Budget Form - STANDARD Grants (25% minimum cash match)

Source of Funds	Date Funds Secured	Grant Request	Cash Match	Total Project Funds
Arapahoe County Open Spaces Grant	8/1/24	\$500,000		\$500,000
Applicant Cash Match	3/14/24		\$167,000	\$167,000
Partner Cash Match	4/1/24		\$1,000	\$1,000
				\$0
				\$0
Totals		\$500,000	\$168,000	\$668,000

MATCH REQUIREMENTS	
Total Project Cost:	\$668,000.00
Cash Match % Required:	25%
Cash Match % Budgeted:	25%
Cash Match Amount Required:	\$167,000.00
Cash Match Amount Budgeted:	\$168,000.00

*match fields calculate automatically

Applicant: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District

Project Title: Orchard Park Activities Project

** Please do not include in-kind match on the Budget Forms*

DETAILED EXPENSE WORKSHEET						
Budget Category	Line Item Detail Description	ACOS Grant	Grantee Cash Match	Partner Cash Match	TOTAL	
Professional Services	Site Survey/Engineering Site Testing and Oversight Permitting	\$0.00	\$32,000.00	\$0.00	\$32,000.00	
	Construction Oversight Fees	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	
	Community Communication	\$0.00	\$22,300.00	\$0.00	\$22,300.00	
	Landscape Design Fees	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$6,000.00	
	Irrigation Design Fees	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	
	Landscape Bidding & Construction Oversight Fees	\$0.00	\$5,350.00	\$0.00	\$5,350.00	
	Irrigation Construction Oversight Fees	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	
	New Landscaping around Tennis Courts	\$0.00	\$2,340.00	\$0.00	\$2,340.00	
	Native Garden Area	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	
	Irrigation System	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	
Construction	New Trees	\$175,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$175,000.00	
	Site Boulders	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	
	Sod Removal and Mulching	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	
	Pathway Installation	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	
	Educational Amenities Waterwise Landscaping	\$80,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$80,000.00	
	Tennis Court Resurfacing and Amenities	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	
	Interpretative Signage/Replacement Signage	\$40,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	
	Refinish/Paint Gazebo	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	
	Grading & Extend / Repairing Curbing and Ramps	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
	Playground Equipment	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	
Playground & Site Amenities	Playground Shade	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	
	Playground Ramp	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	
	Benches/Tables	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	
	New Nets for Soccer Goals	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	
	Miscellaneous Hardware	\$0.00	\$510.00	\$0.00	\$510.00	
	Trash Cans	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	
	Fibar	\$5,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,500.00	
	Freight	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	
	Installation	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	
	Installation	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	
TOTALS		\$500,000.00	\$167,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$668,000.00	

RESOLUTION TO ENGAGE IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
and (ADA) ACCESSIBLE SITE IMPROVEMENT
AND TO COMMIT TO THE LONG-TERM ONGOING MAINTENANCE
OF THOSE PLANNED-FOR IMPROVEMENTS AFTER PROJECT COMPLETION
FOR THE ORCHARD PARK BY THE
CHERRY CREEK VISTA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District values the access and good condition of parks and recreation amenities to all their District residents and constituents; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District owns the property contained within Orchard Park in full, and intends to fund the construction of the improvements along with funds to support the ongoing maintenance of the park;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District recognizes the importance of safety in its parks and facilities for visitors and park users;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District is aware of the dangers of long-term deferred-maintenance and improvements in its parks and facilities, including: the omission of features consistent with access for visitors and users with disabilities as defined in the Americans with Disabilities Act, and unusable or compromised conditions for visitors and park users;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District values increasing usable areas and maintaining the aesthetic, recreational and educational value of improved and well-maintained parks and facilities within the District for visitors and park users;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District has completed a full planning process, with community input, and concluded that a project to improve and repair the park is necessary and valuable for the ongoing use and enjoyment by all current and potential passive and active users;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has authorized its highest authority to request for assistance in the grant process and qualified contractors have accepted the District's request to serve as partners for this construction project;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation understand that new projects and facilities must be contemplated for the long-term with care and maintenance and ensure that funds and resources are available and will be dedicated to such end;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District recognizes that the necessity has arisen for the expenditure of additional funds for construction, repairs and improvements at Orchard Park in order to responsibly allow for the use of the landscaping, fields, tennis courts, multi-use amenities, playground, and structures now and in the future;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District has limited resources and funds, and the costs exceed the ability of the District to construct the project unilaterally;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District believe that the construction phase of the project meets the requirements and aligns with the mission and goals set forth in the Arapahoe County Open Space's own Master Plans and Resolutions, and its Parks and Trails 2024 Project Grant Application; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District has received public support for the project from its constituents and public users, now and throughout the planning process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District shall, and hereby does, declare that the Orchard Park Renovation Project is in the immediate interest of the health & welfare of, and access to, its visitors;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors designates the District's Manager, Sarah Shepherd, or, a Board Member proxy, if the District Manager is unable, for some unforeseeable reason, as the highest authority and signatory of the grant writing, agreement, and administration process for this specific grant;

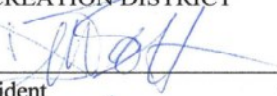
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District respectfully requests funding of \$500,000 through the Arapahoe County Open Space, Parks and Trails Grants Project Grant cycle for 2022 for a total project cost of \$666,700; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District understands and commits to meeting the requirements incumbent in the grant award, including, but not limited to: committing to complete the construction project, stating here that matching funds in the amount of \$167,000 are secured and dedicated to the project, certifying that the project shall be open to public inspection during the construction process, and certifying that the completed project shall serve and be accessible to the public.

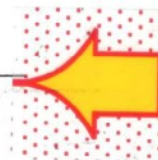
Adopted this 14th Day of March, 2024.

CHERRY CREEK VISTA PARK AND
RECREATION DISTRICT

BY:



President



ATTEST:



Secretary

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April 4, 2024
Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District (CCVPRD) 2024 Orchard Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of Denver Water, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the CCVPRD.

This grant will help us achieve our water conservation goals by converting irrigated turfgrass to waterwise, climate-resilient landscaping, and responsible water management practices, such as maximizing irrigation efficiency.

The CCVPRD Board has identified this project as a critical priority for capital improvements. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the CCVPRD continues to prioritize using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with Arapahoe County Open Space (ACOS) grant dollars.

Improvement of this park's irrigation system, playground, general use field, tennis courts, ADA accessibility features, water-smart landscaping, seating, gazebo repairs and other user amenities, will encourage expanded and higher-quality use by the public. These users will include soccer, swim and ultimate frisbee teams, Cottonwood Creek Elementary school, Scout Troops, and USTA tennis leagues, bikers, walkers, local neighborhood families play and party time, and other community organizations such as annual neighborhood events hosted by nearby HOA's.

In addition to expanding public use, this project shows promise for significant water savings through irrigation upgrades and converting non-functional turf to a water-wise demonstration garden. After establishment, the demonstration garden could use one-third of the irrigation required for traditional turf. Informational signage and plant ID tags will be displayed throughout the garden to educate park users about drought-tolerant plants and inspire them to incorporate them into their own landscapes.

This project is a valuable resource to the community, and will encourage the use, appreciation, and stewardship of all park and recreation areas available in and near the District and County.

I sincerely hope that this furthers the efforts of this project.

Regards,



Richard B. Marsicek
Chief Water Resource Strategy Officer



Colorado Rapids Youth Soccer Club

March 26, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District 2024 Orchard Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of Colorado Rapids Youth Soccer Club, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

This grant will help us and our soccer members navigate & enjoy our practices, especially on our game days at Orchard Park. Orchard Park is one of our most popular gameday sites for our 9 and 10 yr old ages so this grant will benefit not just the neighborhood but our biggest age groups as well. Overall, investing in the park through this grant project would directly benefit our soccer members by providing them with better facilities, enhanced playing experiences, and improved opportunities for skill development and success.

The board has identified this project as critical and first priority for capital improvements at this point in time. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the District Board continues to prioritize using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with ACOS grant dollars.

Improvement of this park's irrigation system, playground, general use field, tennis courts, ADA accessibility features, water-smart landscaping, seating and other user amenities, and gazebo repairs, will encourage expanded and higher-quality use by team and recreation players/users. These improvements will provide increased access for local sports, organizations and users such as soccer, swim and ultimate frisbee teams, Cottonwood Creek Elementary school, scout troops, and USTA tennis leagues, bikers, walkers, local neighborhood families play and party time, and other community users such as annual neighborhood events hosted by the HOA.

Such projects are valuable resource to the community, as they encourage the use, appreciation, and stewardship of all park and recreation areas available in and near the District and County.

I sincerely hope that this furthers the efforts of this project.

Regards,

Brian Haughey
South Region Recreational Coordinator
Colorado Rapids Youth Soccer Club

March 28, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District 2024 Orchard Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of Cherry Creek Vista USTA Tennis Community, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

This grant will help to continue and grow the long-standing community support for Tennis in our neighborhood. The Orchard Park Tennis Courts serve as the hub for CCV USTA league play, with teams gathering before and after matches to meet and socialize at the courts as well as in the gazebo to enjoy after match refreshments. It is important that our tennis courts meet USTA standards and the conditions around the court provide for a safe and enjoyable environment. Orchard Park is a central location for not only tennis, but swimming, soccer, field activities, and much more. This park represents a significant part of our neighborhood, and these requested improvements will significantly enhance its value and allow our community to continue to benefit from numerous outdoor activities.

The board has identified this project as critical and first priority for capital improvements at this point in time. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the District Board continues to prioritize using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with ACOS grant dollars.

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I sincerely hope that this furthers the efforts of this project.

Regards,

Ashley Wilson
CCV USTA Facility Coordinator



Cherry Creek Vista Vikings Swim Team

April 8, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District 2024 Orchard Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of the Cherry Creek Vista Vikings Swim Team, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

The board has identified this project as critical and first priority for capital improvements at this point in time. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the District Board continues to prioritize using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with ACOS grant dollars.

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I sincerely hope that this furthers the efforts of this project.

Regards,

CCV Vikings Parent Reps

Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District

Orchard Park Activities Project
Grant Application 2024

Attachment 3:
Evidence of Opposition

No opposition for the park project has been filed at this time of application.



April 1, 2023

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District 2024 Orchard Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of Circuit Rider of Colorado, the Manager of the District, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

This grant will help the District complete major renovations of each of its public parks with a fully integrated irrigation system that will take these parks well into the future, along with many other improvements for active uses by the community.

The board has identified this project as critical and first priority for capital improvements at this point in time. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the District Board continues to prioritize these critical projects, using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with ACOS grant dollars.

Improvement of this park's irrigation system, playground, general use field, tennis courts, ADA accessibility features, water-smart landscaping, seating and other user amenities, and gazebo repairs, will encourage expanded and higher-quality use by team and recreation players/users. These improvements will provide increased access for local sports, organizations and users such as soccer, swim and ultimate frisbee teams, Cottonwood Creek Elementary school, scout troops, and USTA tennis leagues, bikers, walkers, local neighborhood families play and party time, and other community users such as annual neighborhood events hosted by the HOA.

Such projects are valuable resource to the community, as they encourage the use, appreciation, and stewardship of all park and recreation areas available in and near the District and County.

We wish to demonstrate its continued support of the District and this specific project by providing commitment to participating in the construction process and will also dedicate \$1,000 toward the grant.

I sincerely hope that this furthers the efforts of this project.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah E. E. Shepherd".

Sarah E. E. Shepherd
President



April 1, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District Peakview Park Planning Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of Hydrosystems KDI, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

The board has identified this project as critical and first priority for capital improvements at this point in time. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the District Board continues to prioritize using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with ACOS grant dollars.

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Such projects are a valuable resource to the community, as they encourage the use, appreciation, and stewardship of all park and recreation areas available in and near the District and County.

We are hereby attaching our confirmation of in-kind support for our consultation and work at the park to perform irrigation design services of \$1,000 of in-kind support for the completed project at Orchard Park for the planning grant!

We sincerely appreciate the support of the Arapahoe County Open Space for this project and others in the District!



Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JK", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

John Keesen
Principal
Hydrosystems KDI



April 10, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

RE: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District 2024 Orchard Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

On behalf of Proof Civil Co., I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

This grant will help us maintain and demonstrate compliance with stormwater and site planning regulations, and in doing so will ensure responsible site drainage to downstream properties.

The board has identified this project as critical and first priority for capital improvements at this point in time. Funding was authorized for capital improvement via a general election bond authorization in 2020, and the District Board continues to prioritize using its Conservation Trust Fund dollars and general fund reserve dollars toward matching funds in park improvements, which go further with ACOS grant dollars.

Improvement of this park's irrigation system, playground, general use field, tennis courts, ADA accessibility features, water-smart landscaping, seating and other user amenities, and gazebo repairs, will encourage expanded and higher-quality use by team and recreation players/users. These improvements will provide increased access for local sports, organizations and users such as soccer, swim and ultimate frisbee teams, Cottonwood Creek Elementary school, scout troops, and USTA tennis leagues, bikers, walkers, local neighborhood families play and party time, and other community users such as annual neighborhood events hosted by the HOA.

Such projects are valuable resource to the community, as they encourage the use, appreciation, and stewardship of all park and recreation areas available in and near the District and County.

We wish to demonstrate its continued support of the District and this specific project by providing commitment to participating in the construction process and will also dedicate a portion of the project design fees toward the grant.

I sincerely hope that this furthers the efforts of this project.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason DeYoung", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jason DeYoung, PE
Principal

March 25, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
c/o Grants Program Administrator
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

Re: Support for Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District Cherry Vista Park Site
Construction Grant Application for Orchard Park

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space;

Recreation Plus is pleased to extend its support to the Cherry Creek Vista Park and
Recreation District in its park project grant application to improve Orchard Park.

As a playground designer, Recreation Plus has helped the District design and build out
playgrounds in the majority of its parks, including a number which have been funded by the
Arapahoe County Open Space Grants. We are excited to help with such a unique park plan
that may include ADA friendly playground pieces, sun shading, and site furnishings that
can serve growing families with the neighborhood.

We would enjoy the opportunity to work with the District's Board and contractor's again. To
that end, and with our knowledge of the limited financial resources that must be spread
across the District's operations, Recreation Plus is happy to help the planning portion of
this park come to a successful conclusion by making a contribution of \$ 1,000.00 our time,
in the form of in-kind professional services, associated with the playground planning and
coordination with other contractors and professionals assigned to the planning project. We
hope that our expression of collaboration is helpful in your decision to provide funding for
this project.

Thank you for your continued efforts to enhance the opportunities for recreation and
appreciation of the environment by funding deserving projects such as the Cherry Vista
Park Improvement Park project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jesse Rodgers', written in a cursive style.

Jesse Rodgers

Sales Representative at Recreation Plus

jesse@recreationplus.com

March 25, 2024

Arapahoe County Open Space
6934 S. Lima Street, Suite A
Centennial, CO 80112

Re: Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District 2024 Park Project Grant

Dear Arapahoe County Open Space,

Root Partnership is pleased to provide a letter of support for the Orchard Park Project, to be included in the planning grant application submitted by the Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District.

This grant will help with improvements of the park's irrigation system, playground, soccer field, tennis, ADA accessibility features, water-smart landscaping, seating and other user amenities, and gazebo repairs. These improvements will encourage expanded and higher-quality use by team and recreation users. Also, these improvements will provide increased access for local sports teams like soccer and USTA tennis leagues.

Such projects are a valuable resource to the community, as they encourage the use, appreciation, and stewardship of all park and recreation areas available in and near the District and County. As a landscape architecture firm, Root Partnership has had the pleasure of working with Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District on five previous park projects and has admired the District's ability to renovate their existing parks to fully serve the community. We are excited to partner with other experts in the industry for this park improvement project as we utilize innovative and creative approaches to serve and educate the community.

Per our experience with other government projects, we at Root Partnership understand how such projects are exercises in collaboration. Root Partnership will contribute by making an in-kind dedication of our services equal to \$1,000 toward the planning grant.

Thank you for your consideration of this grant planning proposal.

Sincerely,

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Nathan Schrock

Principal

Root Partnership Planning and Landscape Architecture

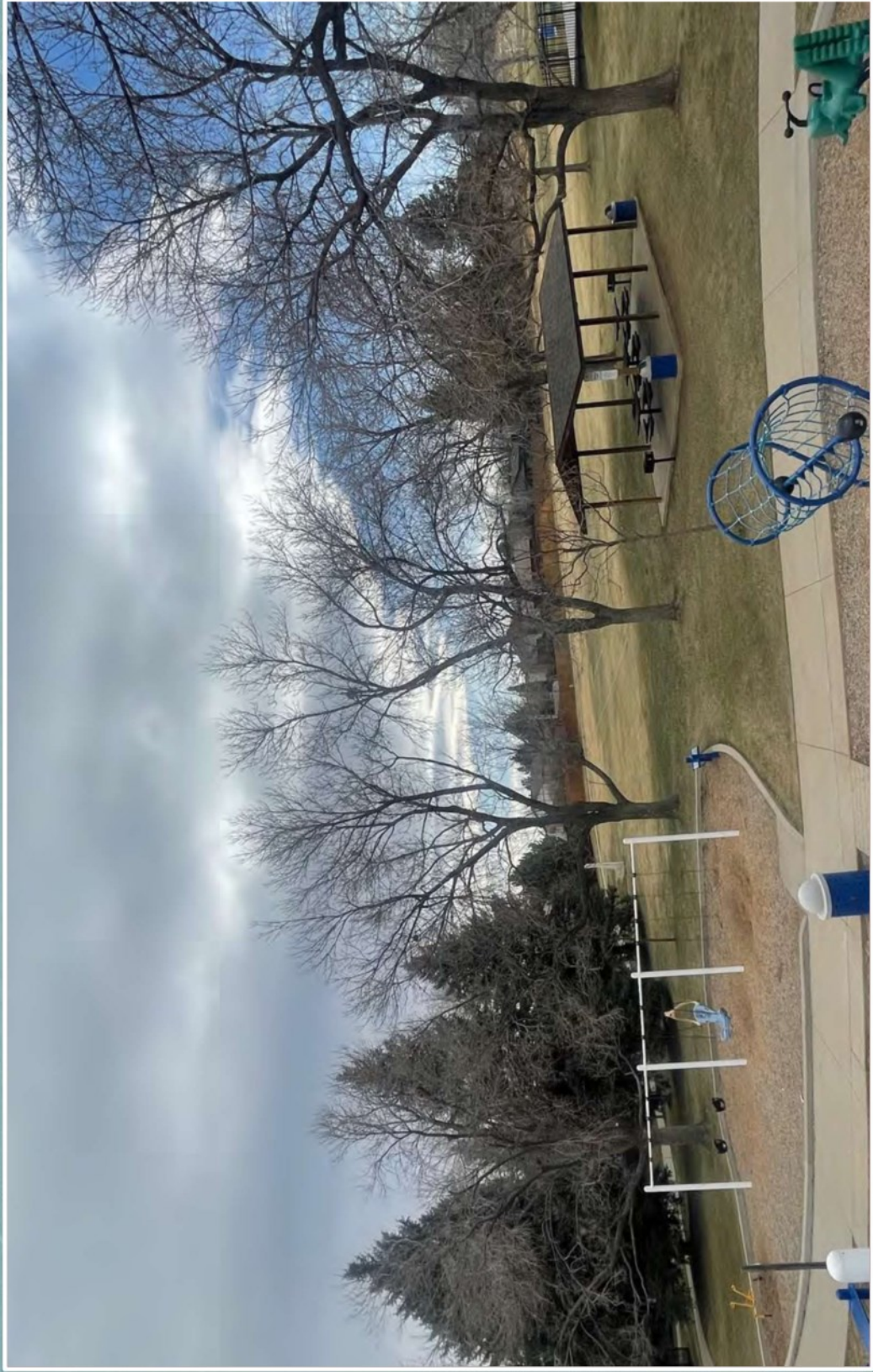




Cherry Creek Vista
Park and Recreation District

Orchard Park Activities 2024 Project Grant

Thank you very much to
the Board, Community and
User-group members for participating
in the virtual and in-person planning meetings!

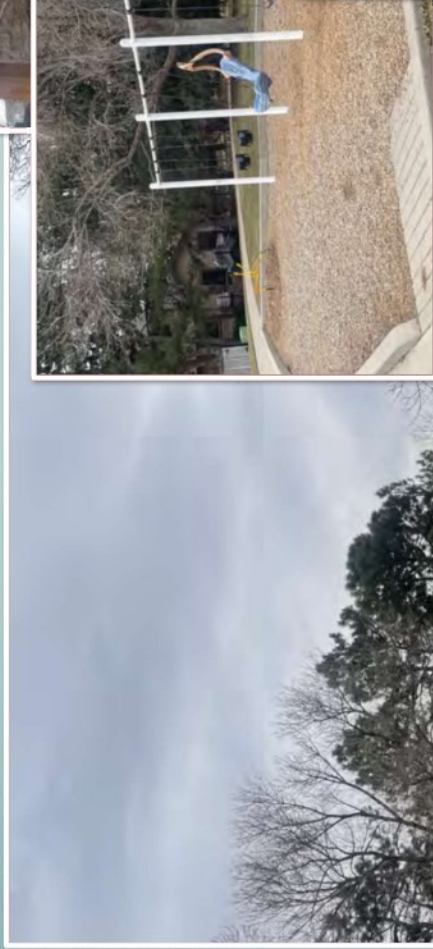
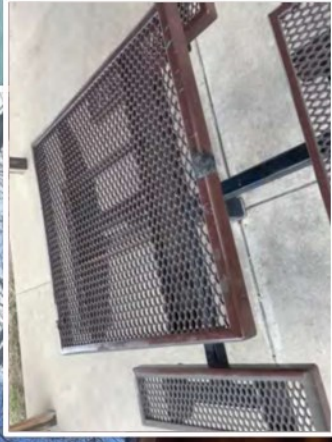


The District and Community express their thanks to the Board of County Commissioners, volunteers and staff at Arapahoe County Open Space for their consideration of this project grant application and support of the grant program.

Park Project Details/Existing Conditions Playground and Gazebo

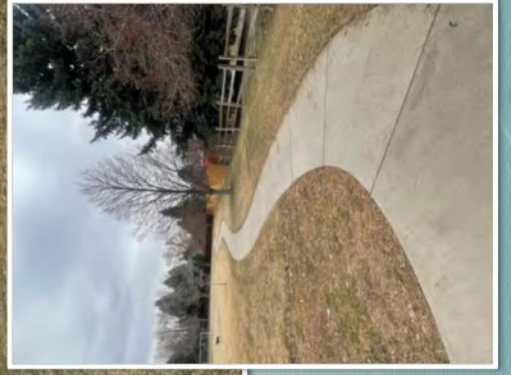
Proposed:

- Replace unsafe playground equipment
- Add shade toppers at playground
- New safety surfacing
- Repair gazebo
- New benches and tables at gazebo (ADA table addition)



Park Project Details/Existing Conditions Water Savings and Landscaping Updates

- Water-smart native landscaping
- Tree replacements and additions
- Mulch additions with sod reduction
- New ADA perimeter pathway section
- New and replaced benches, shade, trash cans throughout park
- Native garden educational amenities



Park Project Details/Existing Conditions Field and Irrigation

Proposed:

- New remote control efficient irrigation system
- Sod repair and field improvements
- Updated signage



Park Project Details/Existing Conditions Tennis Courts

Proposed:

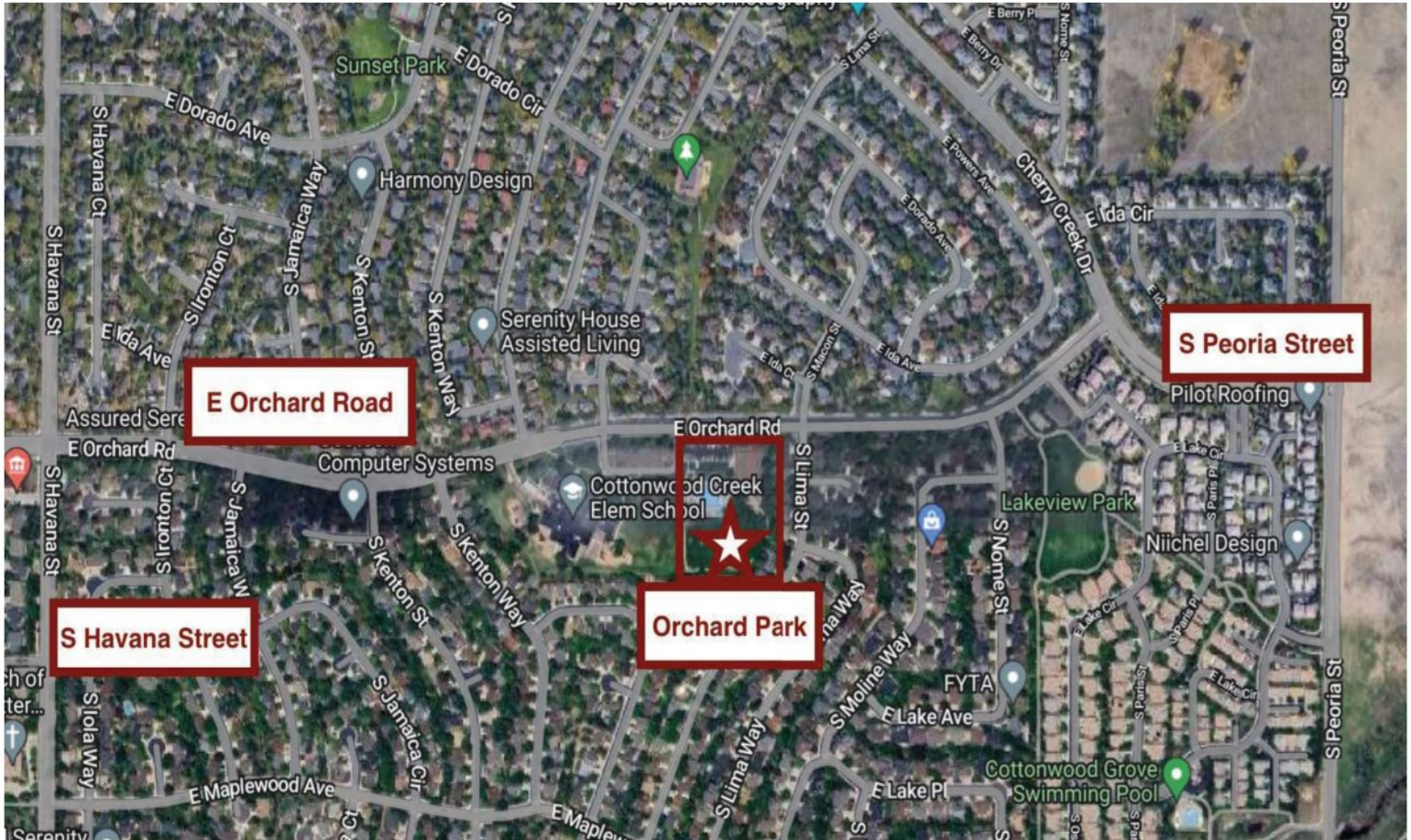
- Resurface tennis courts
- Expand rock edging to protect court from water/irrigation
- New windscreens, signage, curtain court-divider, egress gate
- New shaded benches



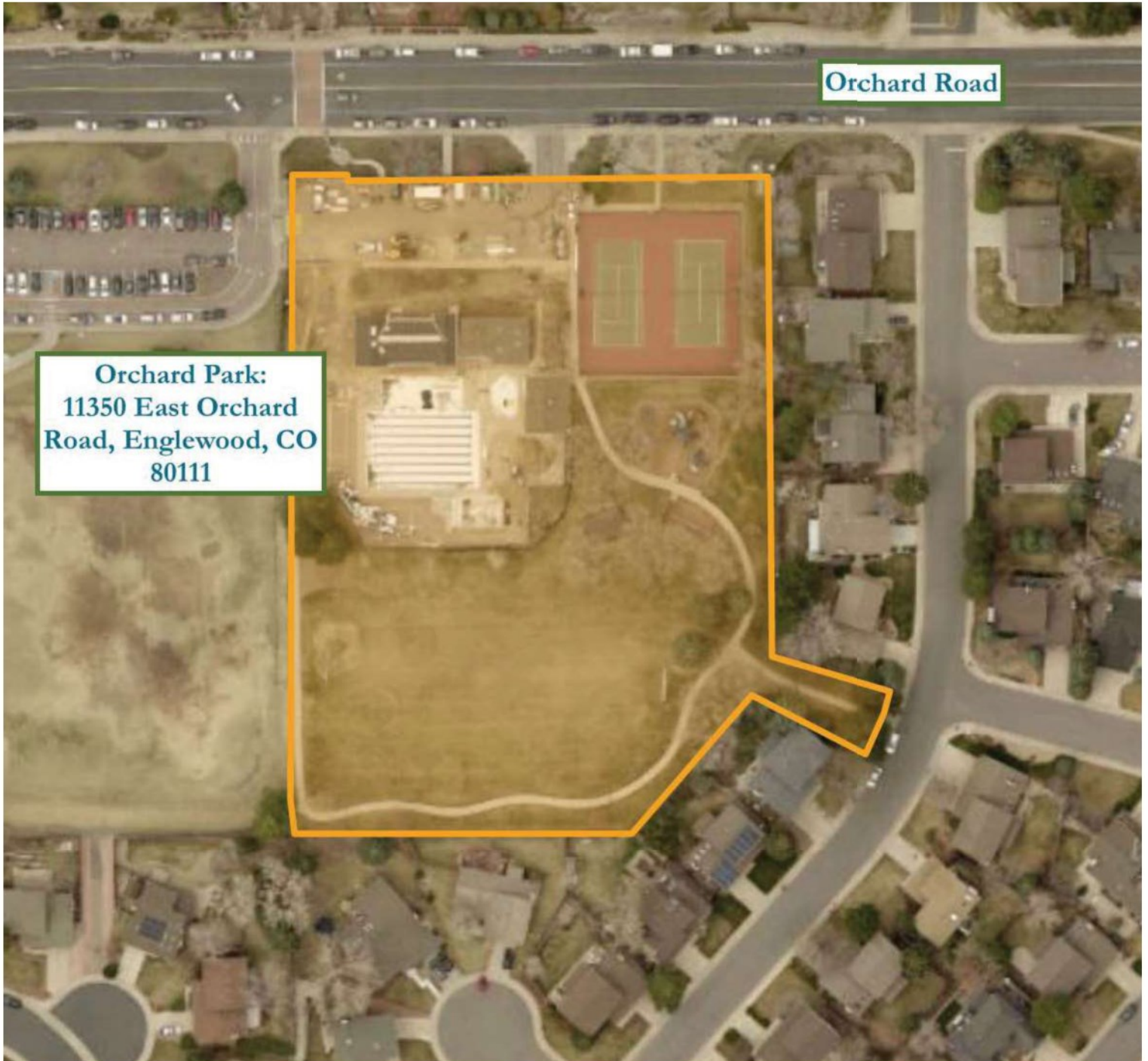
Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District
2024 Orchard Park Activities Project
Arapahoe County Open Spaces Standard Grant Application



Park Vicinity Map



Park Site Map





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OPEN SPACES

Site Visit Form

Cherry Creek Vista Park and Recreation District

Applicant

Standard Grant

Grant Category

Orchard Park Activities Project

Title of Grant Project

Sarah Shepherd

Site Visit Representative Name

303-482-1002 sees@ccrider.us

Site Visit Representative Email and Cell Phone #

cell # will be used to contact you on site visit day if necessary (running late, weather issues, etc.)

1. Please provide the project address or the closest major intersection.

Orchard Park, 11350 E Orchard Road, Englewood, CO 80111

2. Specify a meeting location at the project site.

Parking lot at the Park Entrance (North of the Community Room and West of the Tennis Courts (there is only one parking lot at the park).

3. Provide other helpful information, for example parking instructions, availability of restrooms on site or nearby, necessary walking from parking to site, or other clarification. *Driving directions from the ACOS office (6934 S. Lima St., Centennial) are not required, but may be included if the site is difficult to find.*

Please access the park by driving from either points East (Peoria) turning West onto E Orchard Road, or points West (S Havana Street) to E Orchard Road. Turn South into the parking lot's East entrance. There is a sign that reads Orchard Park to direct you into the parking lot. Please note that cell service can be a bit spotty at this location—texting often works better than calling. There is a restroom in the Community Room, which can be accessed if needed, as well as a port-a-let available on site.

PIN: 031836981
AIN: 2075-23-1-02-001
Situs Address: 11350 E Orchard Rd
Situs City: Englewood

Full Owner List: Cherry Creek Vista Metro Rec & Park Dist
Ownership Type: Fee Simple Ownership
Owner Address: 8390 E Crescent Pkwy Suite 500
City/State/Zip: Greenwood Village, CO 80111-2814
Neighborhood: University To 25
Neighborhood Code: 3196.00
Acreage: 3.8300
Land Use: Traditional
Legal Desc: Tract A Cherry Creek Vista 13Th Flg

Notifications!

	Total	Building	Land
2023 Appraised Value	1,227,110	461,110	766,000
2023 Assessed Value	83,014	31,194	51,820
		2023 Mill Levy:	93.590

<i>Sale</i>	Book Page	Date	Price	Type
	3178 0269	02-01-1980	1	

<i>Building</i>	Building	Attributes	Recorded
	1	Quality Grade	Average
		Improvement Type	Traditional
		Bathrooms	1.00
		Architectural	1 Story/Ranch
		Year Built	1982
		Roof	Wood Shake/Shingle Roof
		Exterior Wall	Concrete Block
		Construction Type	D - Wood or Steel Studs Frame

<i>Area</i>	Building	Description	SqFt
	1	Patio slab or Terrace	4885
		Deck	1952
		First Floor	1533
		Covered Porch	552
		Bldg Total Area:	1533

<i>Land Line</i>	Units	Land Use
	3.8300 AC	Recreation

Note: Land Line data above corresponds to the initial appraised value and does not reflect subsequent appeal related adjustments, if any.

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