



STAFF REPORT

Approved and Forwarded to City Council:

Bryan H. Montgomery, City Manager

Date: Tuesday, March 11, 2014

To: Bryan H. Montgomery, City Manager

From: Kevin Rohani, Public Works Director/City Engineer

SUBJECT: **Civic Center Park Improvement Project Design Concepts**

Background and Analysis

In December 2013 staff held a public meeting to present the conceptual plan that was previously reviewed by the City Council relating to specific improvements to the Downtown Civic Center Park, utilizing grant funds from East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD). Discussion of potential new amenities to the Civic Center Park included the addition of a covered stage with amphitheater style seating, along with keeping some informal festival (lawn) seating, small restroom and concession building, additional turf, picnic tables, trash receptacles, drinking fountain, and potentially a small children's play area. Those in attendance provided input, ideas and suggestions, and were enthusiastically supportive of the potential project and envisioned improvements.

In January 2014 City Council adopted a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to draw down the EBRPD Measure WW grant funds designated for Oakley. The project submitted is the Civic Center Park Improvement project.

With an informal assurance from EBRPD that the application appears to meet all eligibility requirements, City staff made the determination to proceed with the design of the park improvements. This is with the intent of completing the project by September 1, 2014 so that the facility can be utilized for the Heart of Oakley Festival, the Harvest Festival and other events. EBRPD has also stated that while the final authorization on spending the grant funds won't likely take place prior to June 1st, all related expenditures to the project made prior to approval will be eligible for reimbursement.

Staff has engaged the professional services of a landscape architect to provide two design concepts for the park stage and seating improvements, and to ultimately provide the final design and construction plans.

Two alternative designs are presented (attached) for City Council's review and direction. The designs incorporate the comments and suggestions the Council members, staff, and the public have offered over the past few months. City Council's direction tonight will determine the final design concept.

Fiscal Impact

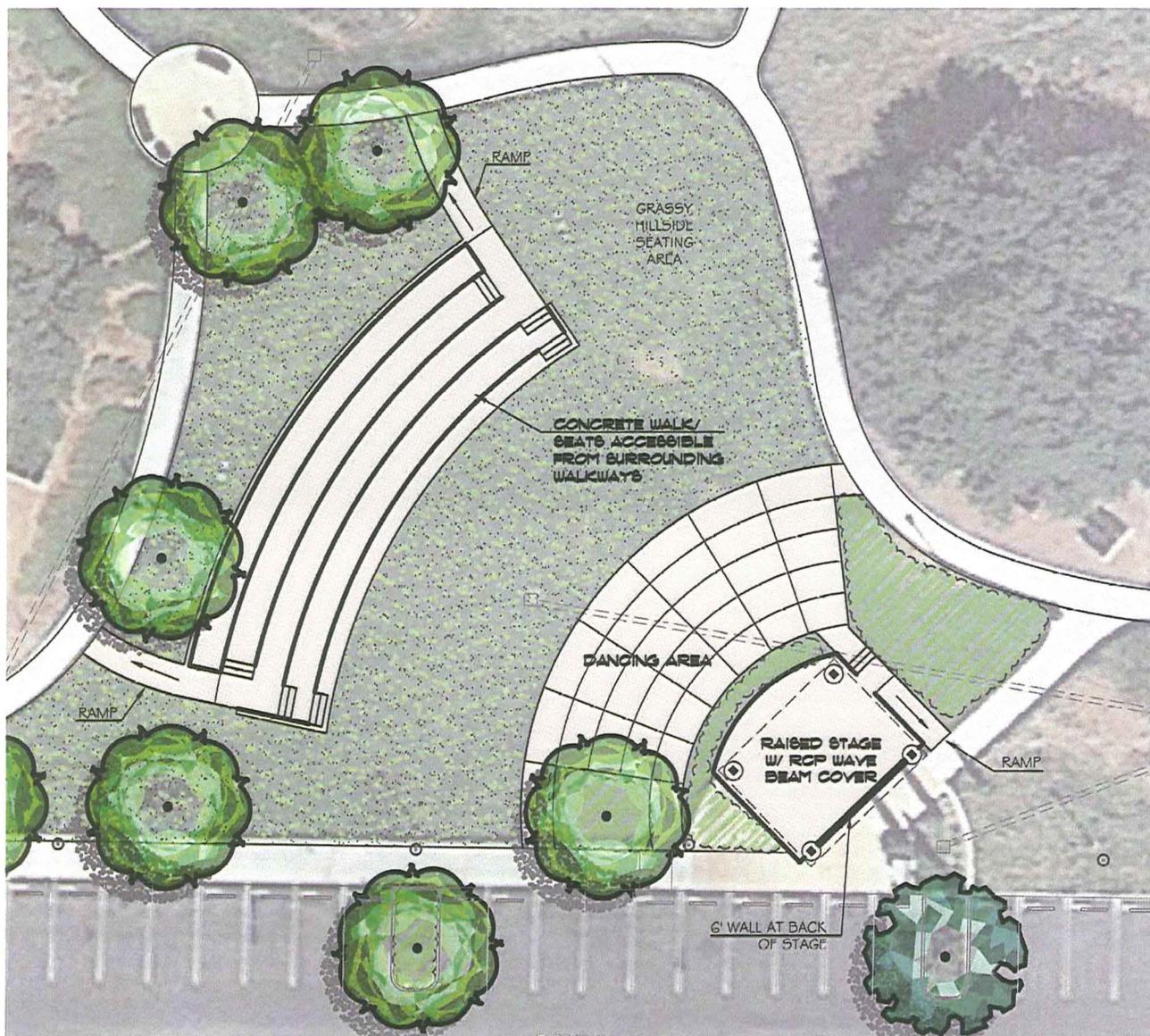
Construction costs for both designs are comparable and within the remaining EBRPD grant funds designated for Oakley.

Recommendation

Staff has a preference towards the Option "B" design, with possibly less concrete seating on the south side (ending in a straight line where the stairs are located). A different stage back wall configuration would also be recommended.

Attachment

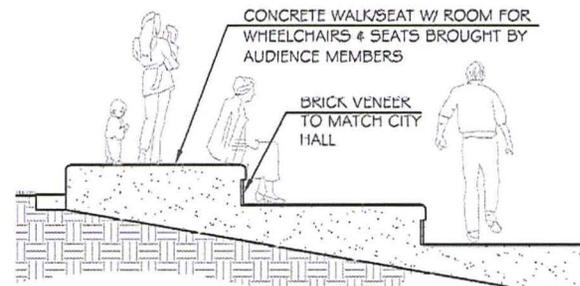
1. Design Concept Option "A"
2. Design Concept Option "B"



AMPHITHEATER PLAN VIEW
SCALE: 1"=20'-0"



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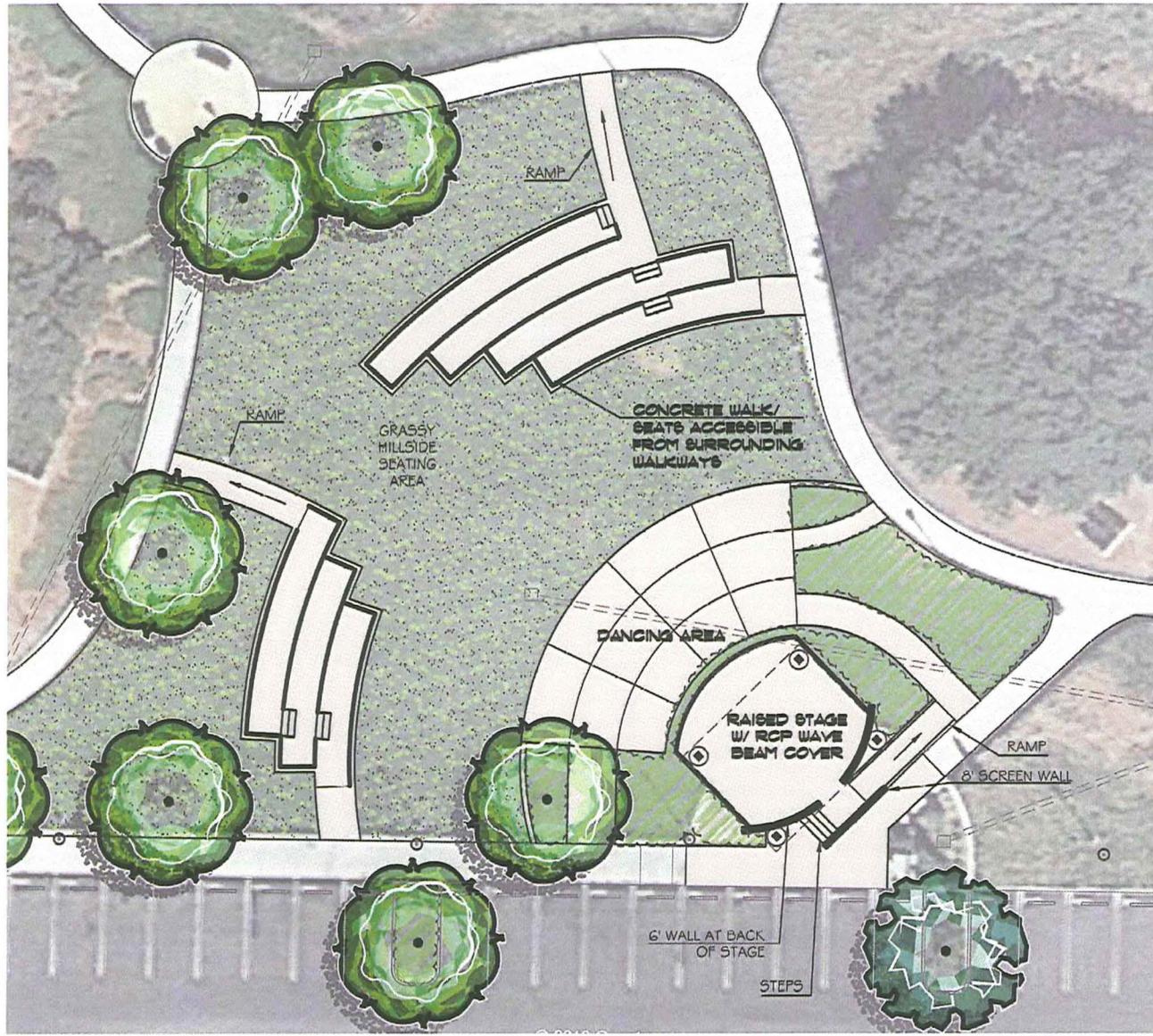


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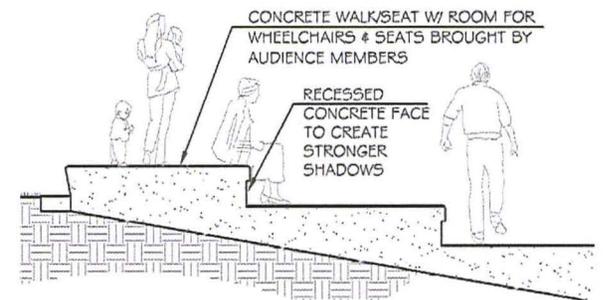
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