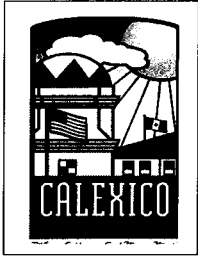


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# AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** June 2, 2021

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**APPROVED BY:** Miguel Figueroa, City Manager *MF*

**PREPARED BY:** Lilliana Falomir, Public Works Manager – Administrative *L.F.*

**SUBJECT:** Informational Item: Heber Park Expansion Project.

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**Recommendation:**

Informational Item: Heber Park Expansion Project.

**Background:**

The City of Calexico has received a grant from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$8,500,000 under Proposition 68 Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program (SSP) for Heber Park Expansion Project. This project will expand Heber Park by constructing a new multi-purpose gym, outdoor basketball court with lights, a soccer field with lights, walking trail, athletic track, new picnic areas and seating, and a new parking lot, with new lighting and landscaping throughout the park.

On October 19, 2020, the City of Calexico solicited proposals from qualified engineering professionals to provide architectural/engineering and project management services for construction of multipurpose gymnasium, outdoor basketball court, outdoor soccer field, athletic track, walking pathway, parking lot, lighting, landscaping and recreation amenities at Heber Park.

On November 19, 2020, the Office of the City Clerk received seven (7) proposals from the following firms:

1. Chen Ryan Associates, Inc.
2. DWL Architects
3. Jeff Katz Architecture (JKA)
4. Nicklaus Engineering, Inc.
5. Sanders, Inc. Architecture/Engineering
6. The Holt Group Architecture
7. Verde Design, Inc.

The proposals were reviewed by an evaluation committee composed of



Acting City Engineer, former Council Member and Parks, Recreation, Beautification and Senior Services Commissioner. The consultants were evaluated on the basis of scope of work, experience, references and project schedule. An oral presentation and interview of the most qualified proposals, based on the selection criteria, was required before the evaluation committee. Oral presentation and interviews were held via Zoom by the following firms:

1. DWL Architects
2. Jeff Katz Architecture (JKA)

The final ranking was based on a combination of the oral presentation, interview and the written proposal submitted. The firm that scored the highest was Jeff Katz Architecture (JKA). On February 17, 2021, the City Council of the City of Calxico authorized the City Manager to sign Agreement of Professional Services with Jeff Katz Architecture (JKA) for Heber Park Expansion Project.

**Discussion & Analysis:**

On March 22, 2021, April 1, 2021 and May 20, 2021, JKA representatives met with City staff to discuss the following:

1. Project History
2. Existing Programs/Conditions
3. New Programs
4. Design Consideration
5. Alternative Building Options
6. Deliverables, Schedule and Presentations

Project is on schedule and the schematic design is tentatively scheduled to be presented to City Council in September 2021.

**Fiscal Impact:**

No fiscal impact at this time.

**Coordinated With:**

City Manager's Office.  
Finance Department.  
Public Works Department.  
Recreation Department.

**Attachment(s):**

1. Design Schedule dated May 25, 2021.

# Calexico Heber Park Expansion

## Design Schedule

