

Battery Lane Urban Park (P118701)

Category M-NCPPC
 Sub Category Development
 Administering Agency M-NCPPC (AAGE13)
 Planning Area Bethesda-Chevy Chase

Date Last Modified 11/17/14
 Required Adequate Public Facility No
 Relocation Impact None
 Status Final Design Stage

Total	Thru FY15	Est FY16	Total 6 Years	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	Beyond 6 Yrs
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EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Planning, Design and Supervision	111	0	0	111	60	15	36	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	349	0	0	349	0	115	234	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	460	0	0	460	60	130	270	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Park and Planning Bonds	460	0	0	460	60	130	270	0	0	0
Total	460	0	0	460	60	130	270	0	0	0

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (000s)

Appropriation Request	FY 17	60
Appropriation Request Est.	FY 18	400
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditure / Encumbrances		0
Unencumbered Balance		0

Date First Appropriation	
First Cost Estimate	
Current Scope	FY 16 460
Last FY's Cost Estimate	2,499

Description

Battery Lane Urban Park, 4960 Battery Lane, Bethesda, is a 1.9-acre existing park located at the edge of the Bethesda Central Business District. The approved facility plan includes the renovation of the following amenities in the park: tennis court, enlarged playground, walking path, basketball court, improved entryway, lighting, seating, drinking fountain, landscaping, and bike racks. The plan provides for better maintenance access.

Location

This project is approved for \$860,000 in state grants for the design and construction of a shared-use path along Needwood Road from the ICC to west of Lake Needwood. An FY14 supplemental appropriation request was approved for this project for the amount of \$1,930,000 (including \$860,000 in state aid and \$1,070,000 in matching County bonds). Funds for this project were originally programmed through Bikeway Program-Minor Projects (CIP #507596).

Estimated Schedule

Design FY17, construction beginning FY18.

Cost Change

Due to fiscal constraints and changes in recommendations for this park from the staff draft of the Bethesda Downtown Plan, the funding for the project has been reduced to only renovate the playground, which is well beyond its lifecycle for replacement. Redevelopment of the entire park is on hold. Cost change also due to inflation adjustment.

Justification

The Woodmont Triangle Amendment to the Sector Plan for the Bethesda CBD (2006) lists Battery Lane Urban Park as a priority public amenity and facility. It recommends the completion of a facility plan for the park by a private developer in exchange for additional density under the optional development method of development. The park is one of the two major green spaces within the Woodmont Triangle area. The Facility Plan was approved by the Planning Board on July 30, 2009.

Other

Parks staff will continue to coordinate with Planning staff in the implementation of an amenity fund recommended by the sector plan to receive financial contributions from future development projects within the sector plan area. These contributions may be used to off-set the Park and Planning Bonds in this project or for additional improvements to the park.

Disclosures

A pedestrian impact analysis has been completed for this project.

Coordination

Developer, Montgomery County Planning Department