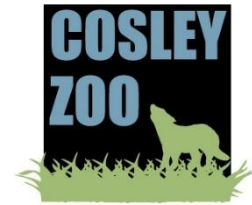


TO: Board of Commissioners
FROM: Andy Bendy, Director of Special Facilities
Dan Novak, Superintendent of Special Facilities
Sue Wahlgren, Director of Cosley Zoo
THROUGH: Mike Benard, Executive Director
RE: Replacement aviary holding enclosures
DATE: November 4, 2020



SUMMARY:

The aviary (bird building) at the zoo was constructed in 1982. The interior holding enclosures, framed using dimensional lumber, are 15+ years old and are showing significant deterioration.

To provide an environment that promotes the best welfare for the birds, the wood framed enclosures need to be replaced with caging constructed using anodized aluminum framing and stainless steel hardware. To this end, three quotes for all-metal holding cages were acquired (see below).

Quotes secured for the project are as follows:

Company	Quote
Corners Limited**	\$14,100*
A thru Z**	\$29,990
LGL	\$41,825

*Includes installation

**We have previously worked with both of these companies

Cosley Zoo has worked with Corners Limited on several projects including the chicken exhibit, clinic caging, armadillo enclosure and a free-standing habitat for birds of prey. They are a small family owned company, which enables them to be very competitive with their pricing.

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTION:

None

REVENUE OR FUNDING IMPLICATIONS:

The zoo currently has \$36,255 available out of a budget of \$38,000 in the Land Development account (22-501-000-53-5338-0000) for projects such as this cage replacement. Also, Operating Donations are up \$90,000 over this time last year.

ATTACHMENTS:

Three quotes: Aviary enclosure replacement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that we engage Corners Limited to complete the construction and installation of new aluminum indoor aviary holding enclosures in the amount not to exceed \$15,000.