

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Brian Kimbrough, Director of Parks and Planning
Steve Hinchee, Superintendent of Planning

THROUGH: Michael Benard, Executive Director

RE: 2026 Central Athletic Complex Stairs and ADA Ramp Project

DATE: September 16, 2026



SUMMARY:

The Central Athletic Complex stairs and ADA ramp project will address the replacement of the existing exterior staircase and ADA ramp. The project is intended to correct accessibility, improve safety, and overall condition of these site features. The WT Group's Americans with Disabilities Act Access Audit and Transition Plan report from October 11, 2024 noted a number of ADA compliance issues related to slope, spacing of landings and handrails.

Bid specifications were sent out on August 12th, 2026, and they were opened on August 28th, 2026, and the results are as follows:

Contractor	Central Athletic Complex Base Bid Total
Schaeffges Brothers	\$272,000

Schaeffges Brothers was the only bidder. Other plan holders indicated that their schedules were full for the remainder of the season.

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE/BOARD ACTION:

The board previously approved the project concept at the Jan 17, 2026, Buildings and Grounds meeting.

REVENUE OR FUNDING IMPLICATIONS:

Account: 40-800-812-57-5701-0000	CAC ADA Ramps	2026 Budget: \$260,000
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The contract amount will be reimbursed through the 5/8 levy accessibility funding (40-000-000-12-1224-0000)

STAKEHOLDER PROCESS:

N/A

LEGAL REVIEW:

Contract documents were provided by our legal counsel.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Wheaton Park District Board of Commissioner's reject the bid from Schaeffges Brothers and direct staff to rebid in the spring of 2027.

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