

Kenai Peninsula Borough

Year 2022 State Capital Improvement Projects

CAPITAL PROJECT: Susan B English School Sport Court Upgrades

Funding Recipient: Seldovia Recreational Service Area

Project Name: Susan B. English School Sport Court Upgrades

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is seeking \$ 190,000.00 to rehabilitate the Sport Court of Susan B English School as a recreational asset to the service area residents.

Background

The Kenai Peninsula Borough's Seldovia Recreational Service Area(SRSA) provides year-round recreational opportunities and assets to the service area residents. The community has expressed the desire to upgrade the court prior to the outbreak of COVID-19. The pandemic has further reinforced the need for outdoor recreation opportunities. Susan B. English School(SBE) campus also houses a ball field where the community gathers year-round for field games and recreation. The upgrades to the sport court will help further nurture the love of being active as it contributes greatly to the physical and mental health of individuals, bonds family and friends, instills pride in heritage and provides economic benefits to our communities not to mention creates a more desirable school for students to enroll and thrive in.

Justification

The Seldovia Recreational Service Area funds the Sea Otter Community Center(SOCC) in Seldovia. Due to many factors over the years, the pandemic, staffing issues and inconsistency in management of the SOCC, fiscal budgeted funds have not been fully utilized building the SRSA fund balance to over \$100,000. The SRSA understands the need to maintain a healthy fund balance in the event of an emergency or capital repair, however, the current balance is beyond those needs. With public-public partnerships the SRSA hopes to source funding that will accomplish the communities desire to bring the court back to its former glory and support healthy choices for Seldovia's youth and greater community.

Over the last year, the SRSA and the SOCC have held several meetings and gatherings to get a feel from the service area residents as to what type of recreational asset they would like to see the SRSA fund for the community with some of the excess funds in the SRSA's fund balance. The overall thought was to upgrade the sport court on the SBE school campus.

Methodology

Should funding be made available the Kenai Peninsula Borough would source bids to contract the necessary repairs which include; 1-2" lift to the concrete for better surface & drainage, replace the tennis posts, paint lines for 2 basketball courts, 2 tennis courts and a pickle ball court, replace the tennis rebound wall of 52'x11'6', purchase and mount second set of middle school height basketball hoops and backboards on current power poles, install 200' of debris blockers in existing chain link fence to keep rocks off court from snowplow and existing playground areas, purchase spectator benches and ball storage bins, pull power from the SOCC to the benches and install power pedestal for charging laptops and phones.

Funding Requested: \$ 190,000.00 Election District:

Total Project Cost: \$ 210,000.00 House:

Local Match (if any): \$

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