



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Payne and Members of the Olympia City Council

FROM: Alexandria Safiq, Chair
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

CC: Chair Quetin and Members of the Olympia Planning Commission

DATE: September 30, 2025

SUBJECT: Preliminary 2026-2031 Capital Facilities Plan (CFP)
PRAC Recommendation to the Planning Commission and City Council

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a recommendation on the Parks, Arts, and Recreation Capital Projects chapter of the *Preliminary 2026-2031 Capital Facilities Plan (CFP)*.

PRAC members reviewed the Parks Chapter of the draft CFP at our August and September meetings. We have found the capital projects to align with the capital investments outlined in the *2022-2028 Parks, Arts & Recreation Plan* and **unanimously passed a motion to approve the Parks Chapter of the 2026-2031 Preliminary Capital Facilities Plan (CFP)**.

We support the continued commitment to the Capital Asset Management Program (CAMP) to address park facility and ADA deficiencies. We also recognize that issuing debt for the Armory Arts Center and Yelm Highway Community Park projects will limit parks funding and delay some future development; however, we support the completion of these two legacy projects that have been long-standing priorities for the community. We commend CAMP and the City of Olympia on its continued commitment to use sustainable materials for park maintenance when possible, ongoing consideration of the socio-ecological impacts of global climate change on Olympia City Parks and their user groups, and prioritization of equity, inclusion, and belonging. PRAC recognizes and offers our gratitude for the excellent work done by CAMP and the Parks Department.

Thank you for taking the time to consider our recommendation during your CFP review process. Please contact me at 206.379.1477 or by email at asafiq@ci.olympia.wa.us if you would like to discuss PRAC's recommendation.

Sincerely,

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Chair