## City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Richard Spitler, City Manager

**DATE:** August 6, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Gazebo Replacement at Pioneer Community Park

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Richard D. Spitler, City Manager

**ISSUE**: Receive an update, discuss the proposed Gazebo replacement location and conceptual design, identify a process for the final review and approval of the proposed Gazebo at Pioneer Community Park, and consideration of a Resolution of approval.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive an update from staff and Friends of Pioneer Park regarding the proposed Gazebo replacement, discuss its conceptual design and location, establish the next steps for the Gazebo approval process and construction at Pioneer Community Park, and consideration of a Resolution of approval.

**BACKGROUND:** Over the past year, the Friends of Pioneer Park have been engaged with a project to replace the Gazebo in Pioneer Park. On March 19, 2013 Bob Fiddaman with the Friends of Pioneer Park made a presentation to the City Council on the status of the Gazebo replacement project. At their June 21, 2013 meeting the Friends of Pioneer Park approved the schematic design for the Gazebo and the associated improvements to Pioneer Park. The committee also recommended that the schematics be presented to the City Council for their consideration and conceptual approval. As proposed, the Gazebo and associated Pioneer Park improvements will be privately funded, designed, and constructed. It is anticipated that this project will be accomplished in phases, as funding allows.

The schematic design of the Gazebo and park improvements are attached along with a copy of the Friends of Pioneer Park meeting minuets from their June 21, 2013 meeting.

**<u>DISCUSSION</u>**: At this time it is appropriate to review the current conceptual Gazebo design and proposed park improvements. The proposed project would

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construct a new Gazebo at a new location in the park closer to the River. The proposed location will allow presentations to be viewed by a larger audience and improve functional use of the facility. The proposed park improvements will complement the use of the relocated Gazebo and enhance the opportunities for use of the park for other venues.

Staff recommends that the Council discuss the design proposal and direct staff to begin the design review process in accordance with City policy and practice with the ultimate goal of scheduling the proposal before the Planning Commission for design review and approval and environmental review. Staff has prepared a Resolution attached to this report approving in concept the location of the Gazebo which the Council may consider. As with any project, final design and construction details and specifications will need to be reviewed and approved by the Planning & Building and Public Works departments. Staff requests that the Council delegate this authority to the staff, so that all such final details can be handled in an expedient manner. Staff recommends that the final design and construction be subject to the normal construction plan review, building permitting, and inspection processes. Customary permit and inspection costs and fees for a project of this size are estimated to be approximately \$1,000 to \$2,000. The Council may wish to consider either the application of or the waiver of such costs and fees. Lastly, staff will work with the City Attorney's office to develop appropriate agreement(s) as necessary to authorize this private improvement to be constructed at the public park.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** City costs in the near-term are estimated to be minimal. Depending on the actual park improvements in relationship to existing park facilities (restrooms, utilities, fences) there may be some costs to the City but those would be identified as part of the final project design. If the City has maintenance responsibility for the Gazebo, the ongoing costs for maintenance and repair would be determined and reflected in future City budgets.

## ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Gazebo Final Schematic Design
- 3. Pioneer Park Improvement Schematic Plan
- 4. Pioneer Park Project Description