



FNSB Project Nomination Form
Submission Date: September 16, 2021

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Project Information	
Proposed Name:	Cabin 35A Removal & Old Train Depot Renovation
Project Description:	Demolish and remove Cabin 35A. Renovate Old Train Depot, removing south facing wall creating an open air, covered seating area overlooking the Chena River.
Location:	



Safety Code and Compliance	
Reduce or Eliminate health risk:	Yes
Explanation:	Cabin 35A is in an area more difficult to monitor than other spots in the Park leaving it an easy target for vandalism or unauthorized entry. It has not been used in over 20 years. The inside is in very ill repair and obviously inhabited by animals.
Current Facility Condition:	Poor
Explanation:	Cabin 35A is in poor and possibly hazardous condition. The old depot is in good condition. It is a bit dirty due to lack of use and traffic.
Improves Accessibility Compliance:	Yes
Explanation:	Seating at the new depot will meet all ADA requirements.

Facility Condition	
Facility Age since construction:	41 + years
Replace an existing facility:	No
Current condition:	
Facility Notes:	

Project Funding



Status of Project Funding:	No Funding
Source of Secured Funding:	
Unknown Funding Notes:	
Funding Sponsors:	Yes
Match Requirement Info:	No
Match Amount Info:	
Project Funding Notes:	
Organization Contribution:	Yes
Source of Funds Contributed:	The Borough may contribute construction funds, matching funds and maintenance funding.
Project Funding Attachment:	

Environmental Info	
Contamination Cleanup:	Yes
Cleanup Notes:	Due to the age and inside appearance of Cabin 35A the chance of both lead and asbestos being a factor in demolition is high.
Improvements to Air Quality:	No
Air Quality Notes:	
Reduction of Stormwater:	No
Stormwater Notes:	
Improvements to Groundwater:	No
Groundwater Notes:	
Improvements to Energy Efficiency:	No
Energy Notes:	



Public Usage	
Improves Customer Experience:	Yes
Explanation:	Converting the old depot into a covered location where Park users can enjoy a meal or chat with friends with a view of the Chena River would be a well utilized space, perhaps even drawing visitors in.
Served by Fixed Transit Route:	Yes
Explanation:	Pioneer Park is served by the Blue Line and Red Line of the Borough's MACS Transit System.
Improves Facility Capacity:	Yes
Explanation:	The old train depot is not being used at all. Any use would represent and increase.

Ongoing Maintenance Cost	
Reduction to Utility Expenses:	No
Explanation:	
Reduction to Maintenance Expenses:	No
Explanation:	
Extends Existing Facility Life:	No
Explanation:	

Planning and Design



Project has Complete Designs:	No
Explanation:	
Scope or Engineering Studies Done:	No
Explain Work Done to Date:	

Budget/Population/Support	
Impact on Operation Budget:	Maintain the operating budget
Explanation:	Cabin 35A is currently unmaintained. The converted seating area will only require cleaning and incidental structural maintenance.
Type of Population Served	Regional areawide users
Description of Needs Met:	Pioneer Park contains parks and facilities that serve the entire Fairbanks population. This project is expected to serve well over 300,000 plus visitors per year where long summer days draw many people outside onto paths and into parks
Applicable Form of Support:	General public support or letters from residents
Explanation of Levels of Support:	Testimonials from the Spring 2019 Borough Parks and Recreation Survey and Pioneer Park Master Plan Survey.
Meets Goals or Objectives:	Yes



Explanation:	FNSB P&R Plan: Goal 1 Obj A policy 1 , Goal 1 Obj D policy 1, Goal 2 Obj B policy 1 & 2
Project Support Attachments:	

Project Cost	
Estimated Cost:	200,000
Explanation:	Conversion of the old Train Depot is an easy conversion with high reward. Removal of Cabin 35A gets rid of an eye sore in the Park that is not being used and has no potential to be utilized.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: John Haas, Acting Parks and Recreation Director, Fairbanks North Star Borough

THROUGH: Sharon Wittenkeller, Administrative Assistant III Clerk *SW*

FROM: Mark Oldmixon, Parks and Recreation Commission, Chairperson *MO*

DATE: August 19, 2021

SUBJECT: **2022 CIP PROJECT LIST PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION LETTER OF SUPPORT**

At their August 16, 2021 regular meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously (7-0) to recommend support of Department of Parks and Recreation 2022 CIP nomination list as listed below and adding the North Star Athletic Complex.

Fairbanks North Star Borough
Department of Parks and Recreation
Capital Improvement 2022 Nomination List

Chena Lake Improvements
Carlson Center Remodel and Expansion
PPK Playground Upgrades and Replacement
Growden Park Revitalization
Fifth Avenue Park Revitalization
Isberg Recreation Area Master Plan Implementation
North Pole High School Ice Rink Phase I & II
Fairbanks Lions Recreation Area (FLRA) Revitalization
Tanana Lakes Recreation Area Improvements
Parks Maintenance Shop
Griffin Park Safety, Access, and Rehabilitation
Peede Road Open Space
Equinox Marathon Trail Extension and Completion
Weeks Field at Noel Wien Library
Chena River Park
PPK Cabin Foundations, Structure Safety, and Roofs
PPK Maintenance Shop, Park Office, and Chena Heritage Parking
Indoor Playground
Welcome to Fairbanks Signage
Artificial Turf Complex Improvements
Skyline Ridge and Goldstream Valley Trail System
South Davis Park Master Plan Implementation

PPK Utility Mapping and Repairs
PPK Cabin 35A and Old Train Depot Removal, Abatement, and / or Repair
PPK Boat Launch Dredging and Boat Ramp
PPK SS Nenana and Harding Car Full Restoration
PPK Carousel Enclosure
PPK Kashim Removal and Restoration
PPK Chena Heritage Multi-Purpose Center
Hamilton Acres Park Renovation
Trail a Year
North Pole Sports Hub
Hamme Pool Climbing Wall
North Star Athletic Complex