



Project profile: Downtown Youth Sports Complex

Report date: September 4, 2018

Project description and location

The Downtown Youth Sports Complex is conceptually envisioned as a baseball and softball complex that can serve the growing demand for these youth sports, as documented through the growth of programs at the Runyon Sports Complex, located on the east side of downtown. County staff have worked for 18 months to procure land for a sports complex location, and have a tentative agreement with the Pueblo Conservancy District to acquire land adjacent to Lake Runyon, enabling the expansion of the Runyon Complex to the southeast. The Runyon Sports Complex Board is reviewing programming options for expansion, including development of a business plan to maintain any growth of the facility.

Key partners for project

Lead partner for implementation: Pueblo County
Current land/property owner: Pueblo County, Pueblo Conservancy District
Long term maintenance/operations: Pueblo County via Runyon Complex annual budget
Political or jurisdictional approvals: Pueblo County

Project status

Design stage: conceptual – needs further study
Entitlement approvals: none required until design complete
Outside funding partner: Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)
Outside funding status: grant awarded in 2018

Implementation timeline

Planning and design: survey to support land acquisition underway, designs needed
Community outreach: currently working with Runyon Board for community input
Construction: requires final design
Procurement: will follow County process

Budget and cost information

Total cost estimate: uncertain; requires further programming and design
Outside funding amount: \$350,000 from GoCo
Funding required from 1A: to be determined; expected at \$1M or more
Explanation of costs: funding will be used for land acquisition, design, soft and hard costs of construction including possible circulation roadways and utility extensions
Long term maintenance: requesting Runyon Board identify long term maintenance budget
Supporting documents: numerous conceptual designs drawn for Runyon expansion

Next steps for project

Political: await report from Runyon Board; pursue Conservancy District land
Legal: draft purchase agreement for land acquisition
Design/construction: requires confirmation for land acquisition and programming report