

Public Facilities Committee Report

City of Newton In City Council

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Present: Councilors Leary (Chair), Gentile, Crossley, Kelley, Laredo and Danberg

Absent: Councilors Norton and Kalis

Also Present: Councilors Albright and Downs

City Staff: Jonathan Yeo Chief Operating Officer, Josh Morse Commissioner of Public Buildings, Nicole Banks Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Culture, Lara Kritzer CPA Program Manager, Connor Roach Senior Financial Analysist, Perry Rosenfield Manager of Financial Planning

#132-23 5-58 for the Gath Pool Project at 256 Albemarle Road

<u>DESIGN REVIEW COMMMITTEE</u> petition, pursuant to 5-58, for schematic design and site plan approval at 256 Albemarle Road for the design of a new community recreation. lap pool, and splash pad as well as minor interior upgrades to the

bathhouse facility.

Action: Public Facilities Approved 6-0

Note: Nicole Banks, Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Culture, Josh Morse, Commissioner of Public Buildings and Luis Perez Demorizi, Director of Parks & Open Space joined the committee to discuss the 5-58 for the Gath Pool Project at 256 Albemarle Road.

Commissioner Banks explained that this is a joint project with the Public Buildings Department. There has been numerous community meetings so that they could receive feedback from residents and stake holders. She introduced Tom Scarlata, consultant from Bargmann Hendrie & Archetype that presented the design of the project to the Committee.

Mr. Scarlata explained that they will making improvements to the interior of building, including changes to the front counter in the lobby and updates to the bathroom. He explained that he will be coordinating with a number of departments for the construction process. This includes the school department for pick up and drop off while the gath pool is under construction. There will also be additional green space and the replacement of bike racks and storage. Additionally, updates will be made to make the pool more accessible.

The public hearing was opened and with no member of the public wishing to speak the public hearing was closed.

Councilors thanked the team working on the Gath Pool project.

Councilor Laredo motioned to approve which passed unanimously.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#166-23 Appropriate funds for Phase III of the Gath Memorial Renovation Project

<u>COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE</u> requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of five million eight hundred thirty-four thousand three hundred and sixty-two dollars (\$5,834,362) to the control of the Planning & Development Department and authorize a general obligation borrowing of an equal amount for Phase III of the Gath Memorial Renovation Project and authorization to apply any premium received upon the sale of the bonds or notes, less the cost of preparing, issuing, and marketing them, and any accrued interest received upon the delivery of the bonds or notes to the costs of the project and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for the project by like amount.

Action: <u>Public Facilities Approved 6-0</u>

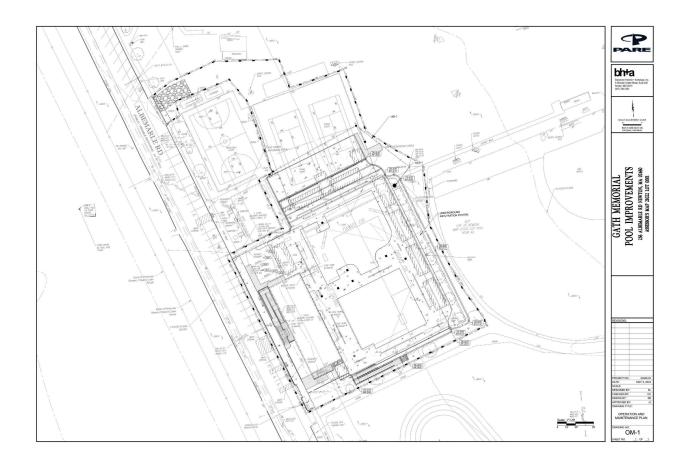
Note: Jennifer Molinsky, Chair of the Community Preservation Committee and Lara Kritzer, CPA Program Manager joined the committee to discuss the above request. Ms. Molinsky presented a project overview for the gath pool. The CPC wanted to understand how this project will be integrated into the other fields updates. She noted that the CPC voted unanimously to provide the funds for this project. They did decide to bond these funds over the next 30 years.

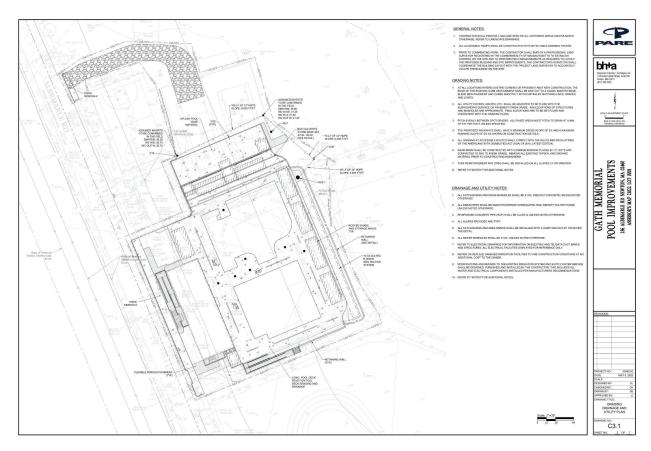
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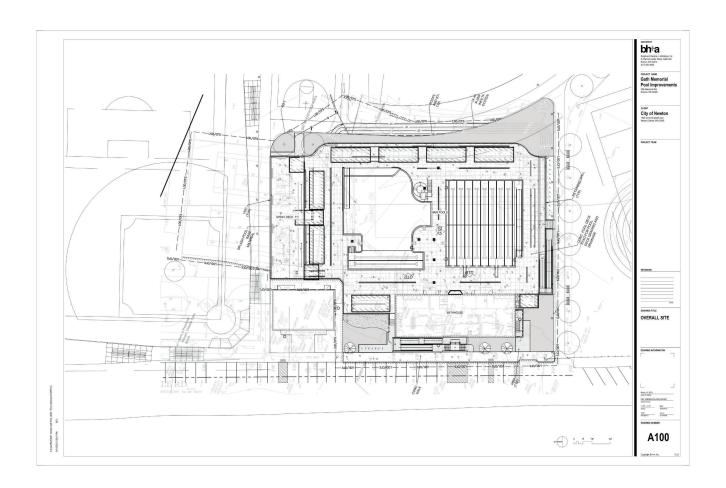
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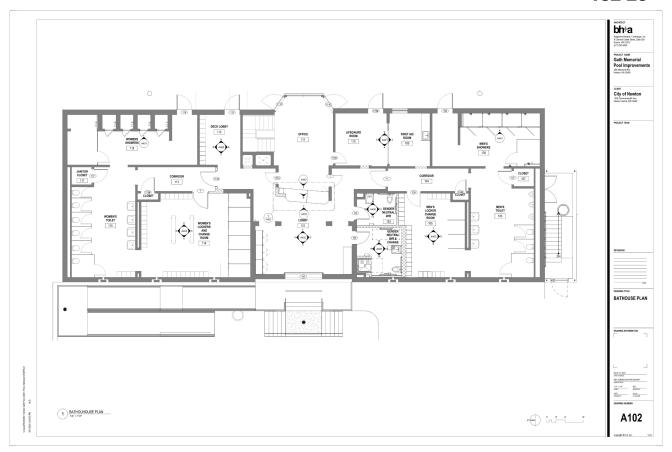
Alison Leary, Chair

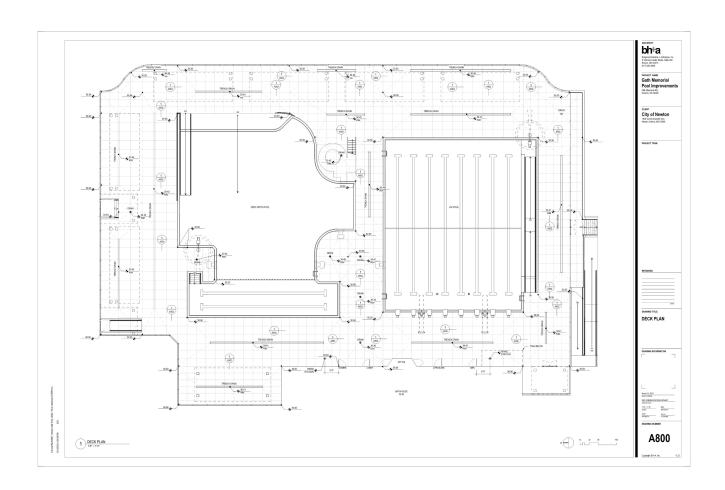


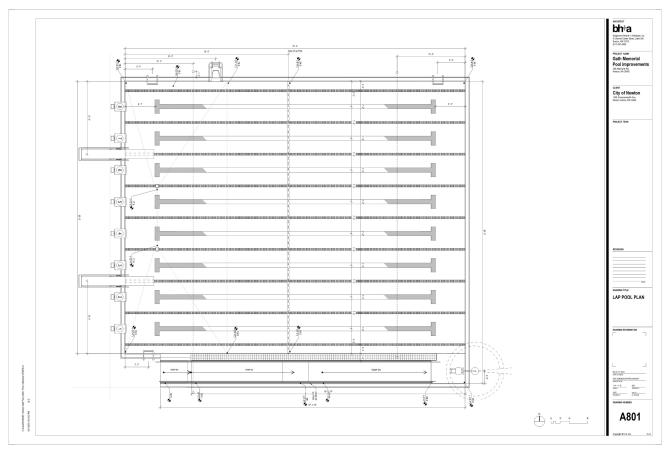


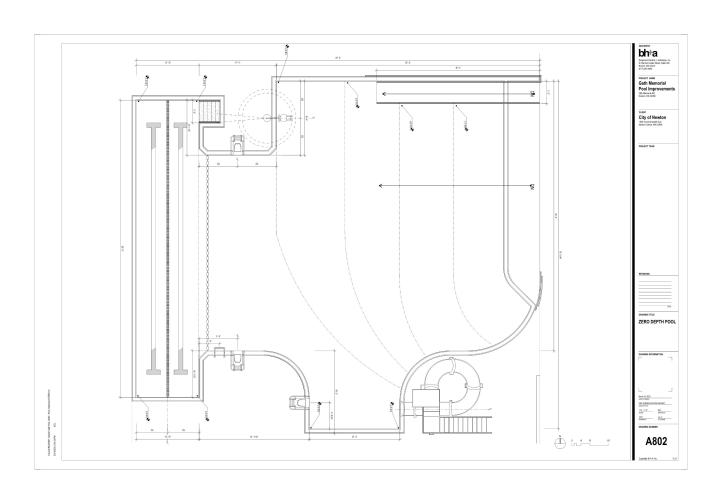


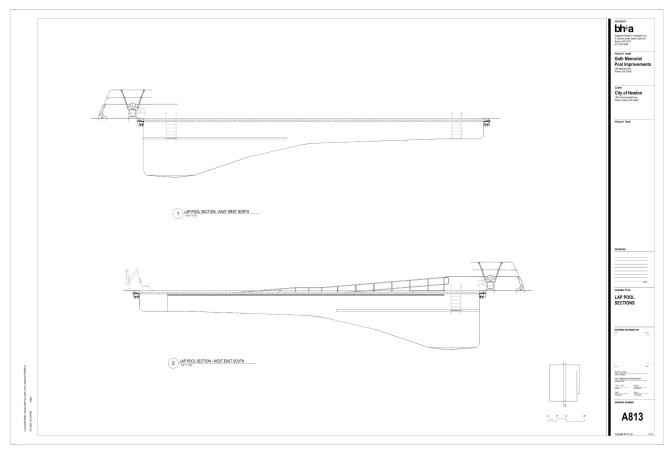


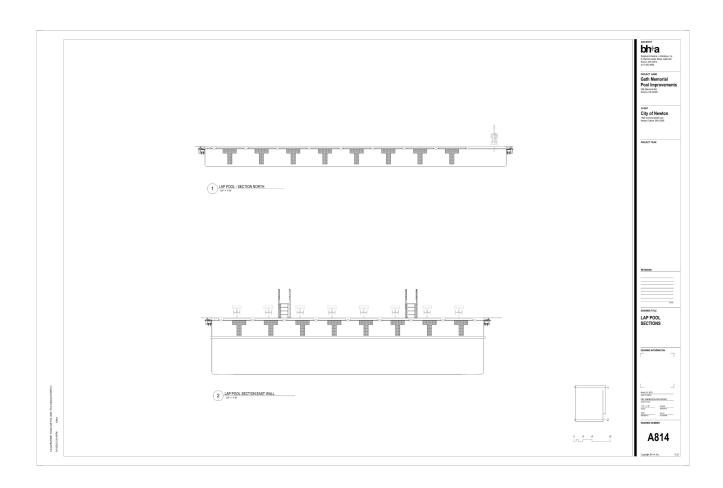


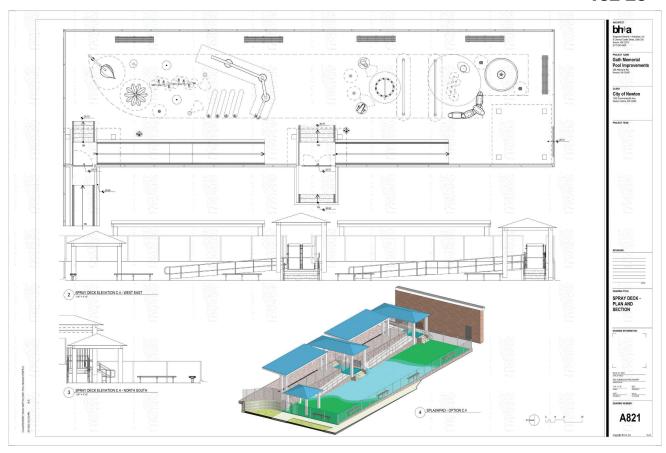












PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Bathhouse Modifications	\$835,010
Sitework and Site Improvements	\$1,882,739
Swimming Pools	\$2,685,000
Spray Deck	\$200,000
General Conditions Overhead & Profit	\$636,674
Contingencies and Escalation to September 2023	\$967,111
Estimated Contract Award	\$7,206,534

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

We welcome your thoughts and comments. Please feel free to email us at:

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You can also visit the project website at: www.newtonma.gov/gathpoolproject