



Cooperation Agreement with TGLO to Mitigate Shoreline Erosion of Parks along the Corpus Christi Bay

City Council December 03, 2024



Areas of Focus









Park Visits

October 2023 through September 2024

Cole Park	595,000 visits	276,000 visitors
Ropes Park	41,600 visits	27,900 visitors
Poenisch Park	19,100 visits	10,400 visitors



Background



- The prevailing erosion of each park has been exacerbated by high water/waves during the 2020 Hurricane Season.
- Historical erosion has reduced the footprint of each park & reduced park safety.
- These parks are high-profile areas with heavy tourist visitation & provide bayfront viewing & bay access.
- The parks also function as neighborhood parks that are easily accessible by active modes of transportation (e.g., walking, bikes, scooters).
- These parks are much closer to adjacent neighborhoods than Gulf beaches, making them a lower cost option for water activities.



Project Goals



- Reduce bluff erosion to preserve existing park footprint
- Stabilize/enhance pocket beaches to provide safe public access
- Apply hybrid living, shoreline stabilization techniques to maximize environmental benefits Enhance/mimic natural coastal features (e.g., headlands) to reduce impact of waves/surge
- Protect park acreage & infrastructure threatened by continued erosion
- Increase habitat for organisms & algae.



PHASE 1



TASK 1 - DATA COLLECTION

➤ Will be to characterize existing site conditions to support development of shoreline protection concepts & associated alternatives analysis.

TASK 2 - PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

➤ Will characterize existing conditions, develop potential project concepts & compare/contrast concepts in terms of cost, resiliency, regulatory constraints & aesthetics.



PHASE 1 TASKS



- Surveying
- Geotechnical Investigation
- Topographic/Bathymetric Surveying
- Property Boundary Surveying
- Subsurface Utility Investigation
- Environmental/Habitat Delineations
- Site Characterizations

- Develop Shoreline Protection Concepts
- Compare Shoreline Protection Concepts
- Cost Estimates
- Graphic Renderings
- Alternatives Analysis Report
- Coastal Boundary Surveys
- USACE Permitting



Cooperation Agreement



- Tasks 1 & 2 are scheduled to be completed within 270 days from the issuance of the notice to proceed to HDR.
- The term of this agreement will end on August 31, 2029.
- Maximum term length was assigned to allow for unknowns like delays in contract execution or following the dissipation of other storm events that may develop.
- The work order between TGLO & HDR, Inc. cannot be executed until this Agreement is approved
- Reimbursement is typically conducted on a monthly basis.



BUDGET



PROJECT COSTS				
CONTRACTUAL	AMOUNT			
Phase 1 (Tasks 1 & 2)	\$2,095,000.00			
TOTAL PROJECT COST NOT TO EXC	\$2,095,000.00			
COST SHARING SUMMARY				
	AMOUNT	PERCENT		
GLO Funds to Partner (City)	\$0.00	0%		
GLO Funds (CEPRA) to HDR, Inc.	\$1,275,000.00	60%		
City Match Funds	\$820,000.00	40%		
TOTAL PROJECT CONTRIBUTIONS	\$2,095,000.00	100%		



Recommendation



Staff recommends to approve the Ordinance authorizing a Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act Project Cooperation Agreement with the Texas General Land Office and a matching grant allocation of \$820,000.00 to mitigate shoreline erosion of public parks along the Corpus Christi Bay; appropriating \$820,000.00 from the unreserved balance of the Type B Fund; and amending the FY 2025 Operating Budget. (6 votes required)