



TOWN OF AYER

APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUNDING

Date: 1/17/23

Project Title: Pirone Park Playground Remediation and Restoration Phase II

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CPA Category (circle all that apply): **Open Space** **Historic Preservation**

☒ **Recreation** **Community Housing**

Total Project Cost: \$ \$1,518,000 CPA Funding Requested: \$ \$750,000

Has this project sought CPA funding prior to this application? ☒ **Y** / **N**

(If Yes, include date(s) and detail.)

The Parks Department requested and received \$400,000 in CPA funds for phase I of this project in FY23. These

funds are currently being used for design, remediation and purchasing of equipment for the playground restoration.

Project Description: Please provide a brief project description below (or on a separate sheet). Include a brief description of how your project accomplishes the goals of the CPA and include an estimated budget. Please include supporting materials as necessary.

The former playground structure at Pirone Park required removal due to the presence of arsenic. Work is
currently underway to remediate the site and partial funding has been secured to purchase and install a new playground.

This was initially going to be done in phases, but due to material and labor prices accelerating, it is now the desire

of the Parks Department to do the entire rebuild portion of the project in one step. Based on cost estimates provided by a paid consultant (BETA engineering), the cost to build the new playground will be about \$1,518,000.

The breakdown for each element of the project is approximately \$1,320,000 for rebuilding the playground and \$198,000 contingency. We expect to have about \$552,000 remaining in the initial budget after design and remediation is completed, and will need approximately \$966,000 more to do the entire rebuild. We will also be seeking funds Capital Planning and either ARPA or UDAG funds for the remainder required to finish the project in FY2024.

NOTE: This Application enables the CPC to review the request to ensure eligibility, CPA compliance, and offer guidance. If eligible, an Application for Funding must be completed.

Date Received _____ Date Reviewed _____ Determination of Eligibility Y / N