



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

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AGENDA TITLE: Approve Request for Proposals and Authorize Advertisement for Architect Services to Prepare the Grape Bowl Phase I Renovation Design

MEETING DATE: February 6, 2008

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve request for proposals and authorize advertisement for architect services to prepare the Grape Bowl Phase I Renovation design.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In early 2007, the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the allocation of discretionary Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to the Grape Bowl Phase I Renovation. The Board in 2007 allocated \$250,000 to the project, and in 2008, another \$200,000 will be allocated. The City of Lodi has allocated \$225,000 of its 2007 CDBG allocation to the project, and a matching community match of \$500,000 is expected. The donor(s) of the community match have not been identified.

A schematic representation of the Phase I Renovation project is presented in Exhibits A and B. The Phase I project represents a major step forward in making the Grape Bowl compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the City's ADA Transition Plan adopted November 2, 2005. The project will include removal of the earthen berm at the north end of the stadium, construction of a bridge structure connecting the upper walkways, elevator, stairways, restrooms, and a ticket office building.

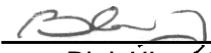
The City represented to the Board that the design of the Phase I project would proceed in early 2008. The first step in that process is to solicit proposals for the design of the project that is the subject of this Council request. Construction plans and specifications have not been developed. There is a need to expend the City's 2007 CDBG funds. The development of construction plans will allow for a more exact estimate of Phase I costs and expend CDBG funds. At a later meeting, a recommendation for award and appropriation of funding for the design will be brought back to the City Council. The design phase is expected to be completed by January 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT: None at this time.

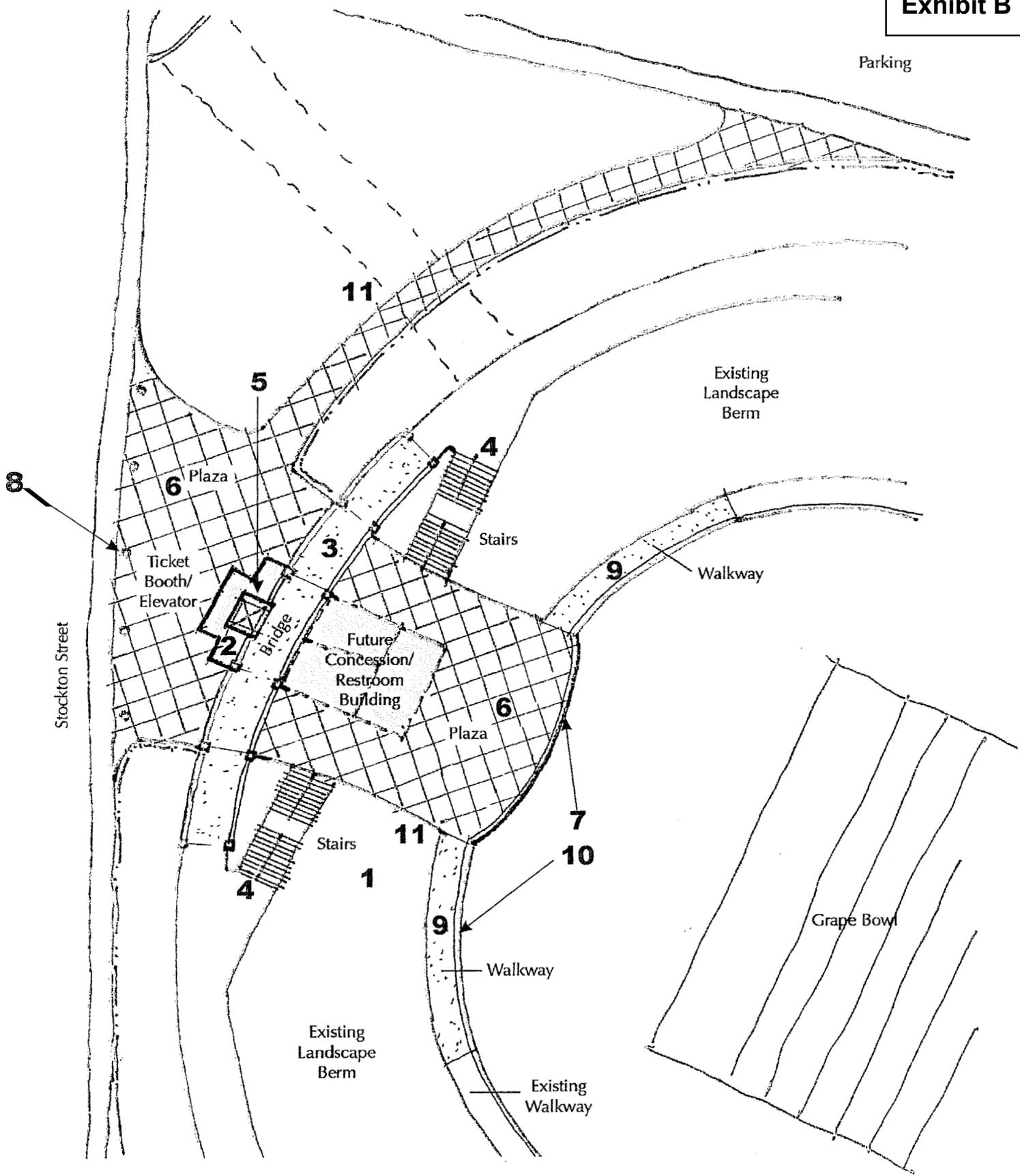
FUNDING AVAILABLE: Not applicable

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 **City of Lodi Grape Bowl Entry**
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