

# Brackenridge Park 2017-2022 Bond Project

The City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department and Public Works Department are preparing to begin work on the Brackenridge Park 2017-2022 Bond Project. The scope of the project is directly aligned with the Council adopted park master plan reflective of the publicly supported strategies listed below:

- · Restore natural park features and improve water quality
- · Restore, preserve, and articulate park cultural and historical features
- Increase visibility and pedestrian access to and within the park

Specifically, the bond project will focus on restoring river walls from the 1900's; stabilize the pump house from the 1870's; and rehabilitate the historic acequia and the 1776 Upper Labor diversion dam.

# How is this project funded?

The project is largely funded by the 2017 voter-approved Bond for more than \$7.7 million dollars. Additional funding comes from public and private partnerships including Bexar County and donations from the Brackenridge Park Conservancy and Conservation Society.

### What areas of the park will be impacted by construction?

The site work will focus on the north side of the park between Tuleta Drive and Hildebrand Avenue to include structural rehabilitation of several cultural resources including the Lambert Beach river walls, the Lambert Beach steps, the Brackenridge Pump House, the Upper Labor Acequia and the Upper Labor Dam.

# Will these areas be temporarily inaccessible to the public?

Yes. Some areas of the park may be temporarily closed to the public. We ask that the public not cross barricades for their safety and for the safety of crews on site.

#### Is tree removal necessary?

Yes. One hundred five (105) trees will be removed including ten (10) heritage trees. Careful consideration was taken to ensure that as many of the park's trees are protected and preserved for this project. Some trees are causing damage, and in some cases, complete failure to the historic river walls and other cultural structures at the park. More than one hundred (100) trees are being preserved at the project site and more than two hundred (200) trees will be planted in the same area once construction is completed. Additionally, between 200-400 more trees will be planted elsewhere within Brackenridge Park. The anticipated number of trees to be planted at the park is between four hundred (400) to six hundred (600) trees. Tree Canopy and Mitigation Funds are not being utilized to meet mitigation requirements.