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SAN ANTONIO CELEBRATES GROUNDBREAKING OF ELMENDORF LAKE PARK COMMUNITY POOL

Event Included Remarks from Project Partners on Oct. 27

SAN ANTONIO – The community was invited to attend the groundbreaking celebration of the new community pool at Elmendorf Lake Park that took place on Saturday, October, 27 at 3700 W. Commerce St. The celebration included remarks from project partners City of San Antonio (CoSA), Councilwoman Gonzales District 5, Westside Creeks Oversight Committee (WCROC) and the San Antonio River Authority (River Authority).

“Elmendorf Lake Park has become a premier destination for families in San Antonio. The hike and bike trails, splash pad and playground in addition to other features have created a place for the community to gather and recreate”, said District 5 Councilwoman Shirley Gonzales. “I am delighted to say that the investment here in this park on the Westside is going to continue. The addition of this beautiful community pool will provide another space to gather with friends and families and cool off in the hot San Antonio summers”.

CoSA has committed over \$2 million for the design and construction of the new community pool that will be built near the existing splash pad in the park. The pool will have a beach entry, great for families and young children to learn to swim and play safely in the water. There will also be 3 lap lanes, in pool bench seating and shade structures around the perimeter of the pool. Renderings of the final design will be displayed at the groundbreaking ceremony for the community to learn more about the layout of their new pool.

The River Authority serves as project manager for the pool project. “The continued investment in Elmendorf Lake Park through the addition of this state of the art community pool will advance the recreational opportunities and quality of life for families here on the Westside”, said Lourdes

Galvan, San Antonio River Authority Board Member. “This project is a highly anticipated addition to the park and we are all looking forward to the enjoyment it will bring the community.”

For more information on the Elmendorf Lake Park Pool Groundbreaking and the Westside Creeks Ecosystem Restoration Project please visit www.westsidecreeks.com or contact Hillary Lilly at (210) 302-3641 or hlilly@sara-tx.org.

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