

City of Chennai Park

Picnic Shelter

Project Details

General Schedule

- Public Outreach: Spring 2022
- Design Start: Summer 2022
- Construction Start: TBD
- Project Complete: TBD

Budget \$800,000*

Funding sources include:

- DPR Capital Funds
- Elevate Denver Bond

**Budget combines the City of Potenza project with the City of Chennai project*

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*As with all design and construction projects schedule indicated above is an estimate only. Many factors can cause delays in the delivery of the project, and schedules are subject to change.

Brief project description

The City of Chennai Park, located in the Indian Creek neighborhood off Quebec Street, will get a new picnic shelter thanks to Elevate Denver Bond and DPR Capital Funds. Initial bids in January 2024 were over budget due to the shelter inflation price and the need for asbestos remediation. Due to this unusually high bid, DPR intends to pause the City of Chennai project and re-evaluate the design to ensure the project is appropriately scoped and budgeted. DPR intends to re-bid this project later in 2024 or early 2025 depending on funding availability.

During this time, DPR's Urban Ecology team will begin restoring 2.9 acres of existing degraded native landscape along the southern and eastern edges of the City of Chennai Park. The team will also explore a landscape transformation of approximately one half-acre of non-functional bluegrass turf into native prairie with grasses and wildflowers. These efforts will reduce irrigation needs, provide wildlife habitat, and improve water quality.

Learn more about DPR's efforts in creating sustainable landscapes here: <https://denvergov.org/nature>.