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## Continued Expansion of Public Sports Facilities

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**Direction**

- **The SMG will continue to expand sports facilities to actively reflect citizens' needs and improve quality of life through diverse and comfortable sports experiences.**

**The SMG's Policy to Continuously Expand Public Sports Facilities**

○ **Continued Expansion of 'Key Sports Facilities' Focused on Key Local Living Areas'**

- In 2023, the SMG supported the construction of a multi-purpose sports center at 9 locations with KRW 8.942 billion from city funds, enabling various sports activities unaffected by weather and seasons. The standard construction cost support per square meter was KRW 3,280,000, based on the "Seoul City Public Building Construction Cost Estimation Guidelines." The construction unit price was raised to KRW 4,175,000 per m<sup>2</sup> to expand various autonomous districts' projects.
- In 2024, support will continue with a city budget of KRW 3.468 billion for multi-purpose sports center construction projects across 3 locations in 3 autonomous districts. Future plans include expanding the scope to include more sports facilities.

○ **Responding to the Increasing Demand for Daily Sports by Opening School Sports Facilities to Local Residents**

- The SMG is committed to meeting the demand for daily sports and increasing resident satisfaction by providing high-quality sports facilities within residential areas. Due to the acute shortage of available land in Seoul, the strategy includes utilizing school facilities, such as playgrounds and gymnasiums. In 2023, under the condition that school sports facilities would be open to residents for at least two years, 2.281 billion won was allocated for the renovation of sports facilities at 56 schools. Consequently, these school sports facilities are now accessible to residents.
- The project is continuing in 2024, with plans currently underway to support the renovation costs for about 50 schools. This support is provided in exchange for opening school sports facilities to residents living nearby.

○ **Support for Expansion of Outdoor Sports Facilities Preferred by Local Residents**

- In response to changes in the sports environment and citizen demand, as well as to address the shortage of nearby sports facilities, the SMG is actively identifying available

land within Seoul and its autonomous districts. The aim is to expand various recreational sports facilities through direct city projects and funds created by autonomous districts. Support for these initiatives is ongoing. In 2023, to build 9 facilities across 6 autonomous districts, a total of KRW 5.519 billion in municipal funds is being allocated. This funding considers the standard financial competency of each district, and promotes the construction of outdoor sports facilities.

- For 2024, a city budget of KRW 4.991 billion will support the construction of 8 sports facilities in 7 autonomous districts. This includes a direct project by the SMG for the World Cup Park 2nd Park Golf Course.

○ **Support for Public Sports Facility Modernization Projects for Safe and Comfortable Use**

- The SMG is enhancing public sports facilities to create a convenient and safe environment for disadvantaged groups, such as the disabled and elderly. This is achieved by applying universal design guidelines and promoting the certification of barrier-free (BF) facilities. Additionally, Seoul City is pursuing a modernization project to ensure that sports facilities are comfortable and safe for use by both disabled and non-disabled individuals.
- In 2023, a barrier-free project was supported with KRW 153 million for 5 locations in 4 districts. In 2024, KRW 353 million will support the modernization of public sports facilities for enhanced user convenience at 6 locations in 6 districts.