

City Council Introduction:

Bill Number 13R-291

Public Hearing:

FACT SHEET

TITLE: Approval of Amended Master Plan for Woods Park

SPONSOR: Parks and Recreation Department

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:

OPPONENTS:

APPLICANT: Lynn Johnson, Parks & Recreation Director

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval

REASON FOR LEGISLATION:

The proposed resolution approves amendments to the adopted master plan for Woods Park. The primary amendments to the plan are related to future improvements associated with the Woods Park Tennis Center, including replacement of the two air structures ("bubbles") with a permanent building.

DISCUSSION

The land for Woods Park was gifted to the City of Lincoln in 1948. In 1954, an initial master plan was developed for the park. This master plan established the framework for development of the park including the location of the ballfield, pool and tennis facilities.

In 1992, a new master plan for Woods Park was adopted by resolution of the City Council. This plan guided improvements in the park for the following decade. In 2004 a public engagement process was initiated to update the Woods Park Master Plan. The updated master plan envisioned a number of future improvement projects in the park and established guidelines for future replacement of the air structures associated with the tennis center with a permanent building. The updated master plan was adopted by resolution of the City Council in February, 2005.

The Friends of Wood Tennis has initiated master planning of renovation of the Woods Park Tennis Center, including replacement of the air structures. The proposed master plan for the tennis center has been incorporated into the overall master plan for Woods Park. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommended approval of the amended master plan for Woods Park during their regular meeting on September 9, 2013.

POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE: Update of park master plan.

COST OF TOTAL PROJECT: The projected cost of the proposed initial phase of redevelopment of the Woods Park Tennis Center is about \$5 million. A majority of the funding for this project is anticipated to be derived from a fundraising campaign. Possible financial involvement in the project will be determined the capital improvement program planning and adoption associated with updating budget review and adoption.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

CITY:

NON CITY:

BENEFIT COST:

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