



Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: April 1, 2019

Re: Granting a temporary construction easement at Paquin Park to Columbia Public Schools

Executive Summary

Columbia Public Schools is expanding Locust Street Expressive Arts Elementary School and needs to construct a new accessible route to the Paquin Park raised landscape beds. The current route is on school property which is now needed for school purposes. There is no cost to the City for the temporary construction easement. The easement is needed until the project is completed or August 1, 2020.

Discussion

The new addition to Locust Street Expressive Arts Elementary School will expand into the area that is now being used for open space play. The current accessible walkway to the raised planters in Paquin Park is on school property. The expansion will require that this land be reclaimed and be used as a future playing surface. As part of discussions between school and park staff as well as residents of Paquin Tower, the school district has agreed to build a new ADA accessible ramp on city property thus requiring an easement allowing school contractors to perform work on city property. There will no cost to the City of this project.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: na

Long-Term Impact: na

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Secondary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
NA	NA

Suggested Council Action

Approve the legislation authorizing a temporary construction easement at Paquin Park.