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First Reading _____ Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____ Council Bill No. _____ B 35-26

AN ORDINANCE

approving a revised plan for construction of basketball court improvements associated with Phase II construction at Douglass Park; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, an interested parties meeting for the proposed construction of Phase II improvements at Douglass Park, to include construction of a skate park, basketball court improvements and renovations to the aquatic center, was held by the Parks and Recreation Department on June 17, 2023 and additional citizen comments were collected via the BeHeard.CoMo.gov portal; and

WHEREAS, on October 16, 2023, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 155-23 declaring the necessity for the proposed construction of the improvement project; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2023, the City Council held a public hearing and subsequently passed Ordinance No. 025491 to authorize construction of the improvement project; and

WHEREAS, after multiple citizens in the community expressed concern about the final theme of the basketball court project, on February 17, 2025 the City Council requested staff provide a report outlining additional opportunities for public input and possible revisions to the final theme planned for the project; and

WHEREAS, in addition to other community engagement, staff held additional meetings to gather citizen feedback at various locations within the community as follows:

- May 27, 2025
- May 28, 2025
- May 31, 2025; and
- September 29, 2025

WHEREAS, at their meeting on January 15, 2026, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted to endorse the revised plans for the basketball court improvements and recommended the City Council approve such plans as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby approves the revised plan for construction of basketball court improvements associated with Phase II improvements at Douglass Park, as set forth in "Exhibit A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor