

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 03/21/23

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 23-0195

LOG NAME: 80HERITAGE GLEN PARK SSMA

SUBJECT

(CD 4 / Future CD 4) Conduct Public Hearing and Authorize the Use of a Portion of Heritage Glen Park for a Permanent Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Area

(**PUBLIC HEARING** - a. Report of City Staff: Lori Gordon; b. Public Comment; c. Council Action: Close Public Hearing and Act on M&C)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing under the guidelines set forth by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, Chapter 26, Protection of Public Parks and Recreational Lands;
 2. Find that no feasible or prudent alternative exists for the use of Heritage Glen Park for the installation of a permanent sanitary sewer line and associated maintenance area;
 3. Find that the proposed permanent sanitary sewer line and associated maintenance area includes all reasonable planning to minimize harm to the parkland, including that all infrastructure and equipment will be constructed as specified on the attached exhibits and as noted in the discussion below; and
 4. Close the public hearing and authorize the use of approximately 0.025 acres of dedicated parkland at Heritage Glen Park for the proposed permanent sanitary sewer line and associated maintenance area.
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DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize the use of parkland for the installation of a permanent sanitary sewer line and maintenance area at Heritage Glen Park.

The Park & Recreation Department (PAR) has been approached by the City of Fort Worth Development Services Department, in coordination with the Water Department, requesting the use of a portion of Heritage Glen Park to construct an 8-inch sanitary sewer line and associated maintenance area.

The proposed 8-inch sewer line will connect to an existing 27-inch sewer line within Heritage Glen Park. The proposed 8-inch sewer line within Heritage Glen Park requires a permanent maintenance area that is approximately 83 linear feet long by 13 feet wide, which equates to 1,079 square feet or 0.025 acres. In addition, installation of the new sewer line requires a temporary construction workspace area that is approximately 1,075 square feet or 0.025 acres adjacent to the permanent maintenance area. The park will be restored to previous condition or better upon project completion.

The City Forester has determined that no trees within the park are impacted from this project.

On January 25, 2023, the Park & Recreation Advisory Board endorsed staff's recommendation to the City Council to authorize the use of a portion of Heritage Glen Park for sanitary sewer maintenance area and temporary workspace for the project.

In accordance with state law, the proposed change of use of parkland will be advertised in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on February 28, March 7, and March 14, 2023.

Signage was posted at the site noting the proposed use and providing instructions for directing comments to the department. On December 27, 2022, an email announcing the proposed parkland conversion was sent to the Arcadia Park Estates, Coventry Hills, Crawford Farms, Heritage, Heritage Glen, Manor Hill at Alliance, NTC Arcadia Park, Sunset Hills, Trace Ridge, and Vista Meadows Addition Homeowner's Associations noting the proposed project and public hearing. On February 2, 2023, a follow-up email was sent to the homeowner associations noting that the public hearing is scheduled for the regular City Council meeting on March 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Staff will note any public comment received during the public hearing report of City staff.

Heritage Glen Park is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 / Future COUNCIL DISTRICT 4.

Heritage Glen Park - located at 4400 Heritage Glen Drive, north of North Tarrant Parkway, east of North Riverside Drive, south of Heritage Trace Parkway, and west of North Beach Street.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that these recommendations will have no material effect on City Funds.

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