

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 06/16/20

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 20-0384

LOG NAME: 80TIMBERLAND PARK INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

SUBJECT

Conduct a Public Hearing and Authorize Use of a Total of 0.107 Acres of Timberland Park for Intersection Improvements (COUNCIL DISTRICT 7)

(**PUBLIC HEARING** - a. Report of City Staff: David Creek; b. Citizen Presentations; 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 Timberland Park for the proposed location of intersection improvements including Right-of-Way and Maintenance Area;
 3. Find that the proposed intersection improvements include all reasonable planning to minimize harm to the parkland, including that all infrastructure and equipment will be constructed in Timberland Park as specified on the attached exhibits and as noted in the discussion below;
 4. Close the public hearing and authorize the use of approximately 0.107 acres of dedicated parkland at Timberland Park for the proposed intersection improvements including 0.028 acres for a public Right-of-Way and 0.079 acres for a Maintenance Area; and
 5. Authorize the execution and recording of all necessary documents to complete the conveyance.
 - **Timberland Park** - located at 4400 Keller Haslet Road, East of Park Vista Boulevard, south of Keller Haslet Road, west of Pricklybranch Drive, north of Pangolin Drive.
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DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize the granting of Right-of-Way and Maintenance Area at Timberland Park (Park) for the purpose of intersection improvements.

The Park and Recreation Department has been approached by the City of Fort Worth Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW) requesting the use of a portion of Timberland Park for intersection improvements. The project includes grading, installation of pavement, drainage, traffic signal and street light improvements. The intersection is currently controlled by a 4-way stop and will be upgraded to a signalized intersection. Park Vista and Keller Haslet intersection improvements will widen the existing road with asphalt pavement and related infrastructure improvements. The Right-of-Way requested is 0.028 acres to accommodate a 12.5 foot wide drive lane. Proposed stormwater improvements will require a Maintenance Area in the amount of 0.079 acres.

When completed, this improvement will have no impact on either the Transportation & Public Works Department or the Park & Recreation Department's annual operating budget.

In accordance with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, Chapter 26, the City of Fort Worth seeks to convert approximately 0.107 acres of parkland for the purpose of Right-of-Way and Maintenance Area on park property.

In accordance with State law, public notice of the hearing was advertised in the [Fort Worth Star-Telegram](#) on April 28, 2020, May 5, 2020 and May 12, 2020. An exhibit map was available for public review at the Park and Recreation Department administrative offices located at 4200 South Freeway, Suite 2200, Fort Worth, Texas 76115.

An email notification announcing the proposed use was sent to the president of the Villages of Woodland Springs Neighborhood Association on April 27, 2020. Signage was posted at the site noting the proposed use and providing instructions for directing comments to the Park and Recreation Department. Staff will note any public comment received during the public hearing Report of City Staff.

Timberland Park is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 7.

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 this action will have no material effect on City Funds.

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