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First Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

Council Bill No. B 14-09

**AN ORDINANCE**

determining it is in the public interest to construct a water sprayground at Douglass Family Aquatic Center; approving and adopting plans and specifications; determining that the work shall be done by contract; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division; determining that a portion of the project may be done by city employees; providing for payment for the improvement; authorizing the City Manager to obtain, execute and record all documents necessary for the improvement; providing for compliance with the prevailing wage law and state-mandated construction safety training; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted a resolution declaring the necessity of constructing a water sprayground at Douglass Family Aquatic Center; and

WHEREAS, the resolution was published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the city; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing on construction of the improvement.

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

SECTION 1. The Council finds that the construction of a water sprayground at Douglass Family Aquatic Center in the City of Columbia, Missouri, is necessary for the welfare and improvement of the city and that it is in the public interest that such improvements be made.

SECTION 2. The plans and specifications for this improvement, as prepared by the Director of Parks and Recreation and filed in the office of the City Clerk, are hereby approved and made a part of this ordinance by reference.

SECTION 3. The construction of the improvement shall be done by contract in accordance with the plans and specifications, the laws of the State of Missouri, and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri.

SECTION 4. The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to call for bids and execute a contract for the improvement. As deemed advisable by the City Manager, city employees may be used for demolition, grading and construction of the water sprayground.

SECTION 5. Payment for this improvement shall be made from Park Sales Tax Funds, Community Development Block Grant Funds, and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

SECTION 6. The City Manager is authorized to obtain, execute and have recorded all licenses, easements, deeds and any other conveyances or instruments necessary for the City to complete this improvement.

SECTION 7. The contract for the improvement shall provide that not less than the prevailing hourly rate of wages, as found by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations of Missouri, shall be paid to all workers performing work under the contract. The contractor's bond shall guarantee the faithful performance of the prevailing hourly wage clause in the contract. The City shall also cause to be inserted into the contract a stipulation that all laborers and mechanics employed by the contractor or subcontractors in the performance of work under the contract shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act.

SECTION 8. The bid specifications and contract for the improvement shall provide that the contractor and any subcontractor shall provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration construction safety program (or a similar program approved by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations) for all employees working on-site. All employees working on the site of the improvement are required to complete the safety program within 60 days of beginning work on the improvement project.

SECTION 9. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor

Source

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** City Manager and Staff   
**DATE:** December 18, 2008  
**RE:** Douglass Park Sprayground Improvements

Mike Hood

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Fiscal Impact

YES

NO

Other Info.  
 Ward 1  
 C00417

**Summary:** The Department of Parks and Recreation is requesting authorization to proceed with improvements to Douglass Park as approved in the City's FY-09 CIP budget. The project will consist of the construction of a sprayground area adjacent to the Douglass Family Aquatic Center. The sprayground will consist of fences and gates designed to allow park users access to the sprayground, but not the pool during times when the pool is closed. When the pool is open, access to the sprayground will only be through the pool. Total project cost is \$200,000 with \$75,000 coming from the Park Sales Tax and \$125,000 from the Community Development Block Grant funds. Construction is scheduled to begin during the 2009 construction season by a combination of park staff and contract labor.

**Project Description:** The Department of Parks and Recreation is requesting authorization to proceed with the construction of a sprayground adjacent to the Douglass Family Aquatic Center. This project, as identified in the *Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan*, includes replacing the little used wading pool and Raindrop feature and in their place, construct a sprayground similar to the one at Stephens Lake Park.

In an interested parties meeting conducted on November 24, 2008, park users expressed concerns that the Douglass Family Aquatic Center was only open from the time when school is out to approximately mid-August. Therefore, they preferred an arrangement where the sprayground will be open during times when the pool is closed. Staff believes that a gate system can be part of the plan to allow for this operation. The sprayground will be open from May 1 to September 30. Features will be activated by touch so that will only run when people are using the facility. There will be a timer to restrict hours of use. During the interested parties meeting, users also requested that additional lights be added near the sprayground and playground area.

Construction is scheduled to begin at the conclusion of the 2009 swim season or as soon as CDBG funds have been released. The department is anticipating that the project will be contracted out, but depending on the final bids, park staff may have to do some work such as the demolition, grading and perhaps even constructing the entire project. The existing wading pool and Raindrop feature will be eliminated but not the plumbing. Staff anticipates use of the existing plumbing to reduce capital costs. Additionally, the maintenance cost of operating the wading pool should offset the chemical and utility costs of operating the sprayground.

Park staff will install the sprayground lights and in concert with the Douglass Park Baseball Improvement Project, work on additional lighting for the playground and shelter area. Final landscaping will also be conducted by park staff.

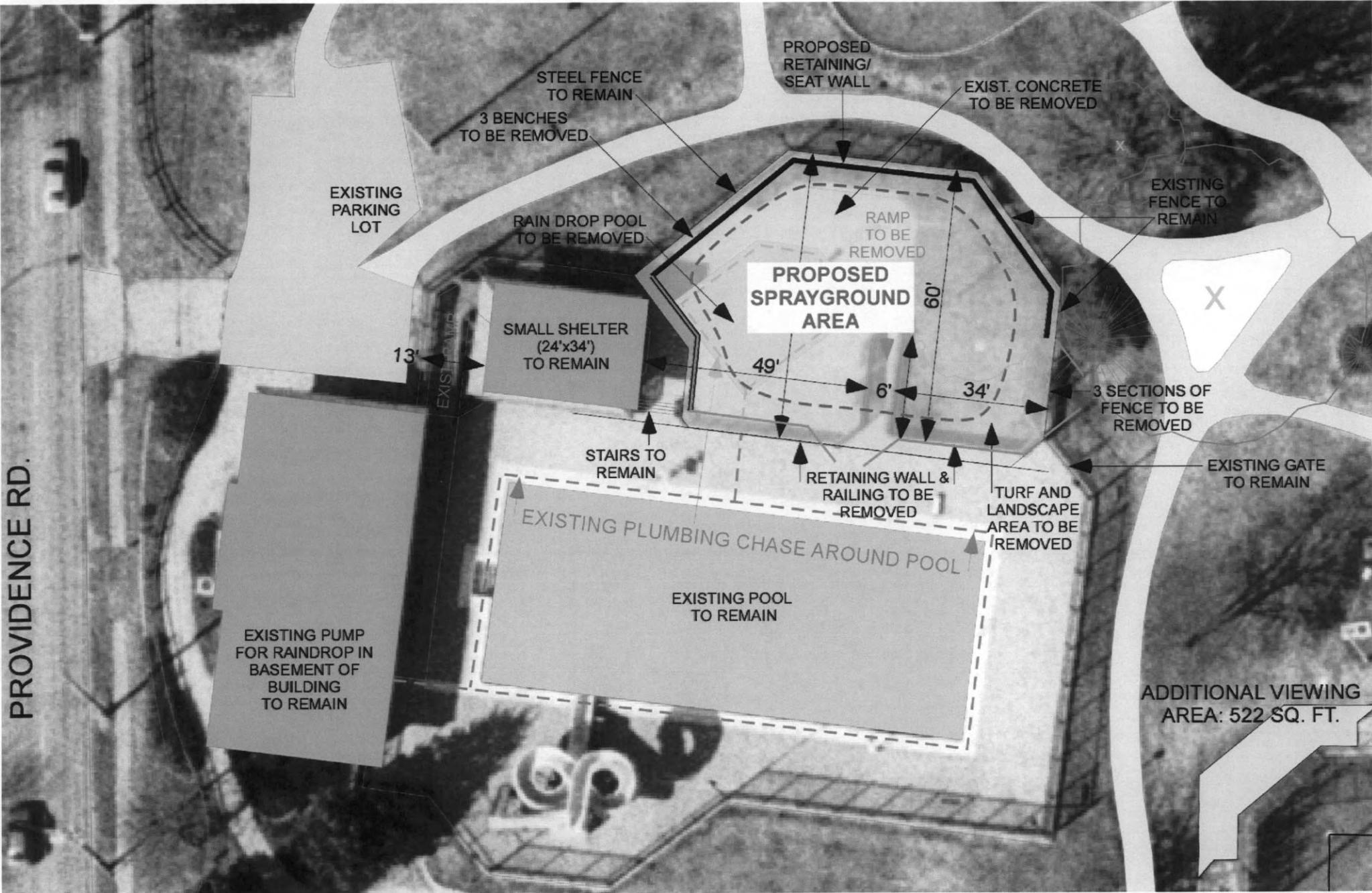
During the installation of the sprayground lights, park staff will work with the Columbia Police Department on the installation of security cameras for both the sprayground, pool and basketball courts. Additional security cameras may be provided for the baseball field and shelter area as part of the City's Downtown Security Camera project. If not, staff will consider how to add cameras to these areas or at least provide conduit for future installation.

The \$200,000 project is included in the City's FY-09 capital improvement budget with \$75,000 in funds being provided by the voter approved Park Sales Tax and another \$125,000 provided by Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG). Park staff will have to wait until Congress appropriates the funds which may not happen until April or May, 2009. This delays the construction of the project until after the 2009 swim season.

The project will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department.

**Recommended Council Action:** If the Council concurs that the project should proceed, the resolution calling for the public hearing should be approved. Following the public hearing, the ordinance authorizing the construction phase of the project should be adopted.

PROVIDENCE RD.



STEEL FENCE TO REMAIN  
3 BENCHES TO BE REMOVED

PROPOSED RETAINING/ SEAT WALL

EXIST. CONCRETE TO BE REMOVED

EXISTING PARKING LOT

RAIN DROP POOL TO BE REMOVED

RAMP TO BE REMOVED

EXISTING FENCE TO REMAIN

PROPOSED SPRAYGROUND AREA

SMALL SHELTER (24'x34') TO REMAIN

13'

EXIST. CONCRETE TO BE REMOVED

49'

60'

6'

34'

3 SECTIONS OF FENCE TO BE REMOVED

STAIRS TO REMAIN

RETAINING WALL & RAILING TO BE REMOVED

EXISTING GATE TO REMAIN

TURF AND LANDSCAPE AREA TO BE REMOVED

EXISTING PUMP FOR RAINDROP IN BASEMENT OF BUILDING TO REMAIN

EXISTING PLUMBING CHASE AROUND POOL

EXISTING POOL TO REMAIN

ADDITIONAL VIEWING AREA: 522 SQ. FT.