

A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for reconstruction of a park shelter and expansion of an adjacent parking lot at Cosmo Park; stating the nature of and the estimate of the cost thereof; providing for payment for the improvement; providing for compliance with the prevailing wage law; and setting a public hearing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council deems that the reconstruction of a park shelter and expansion of an adjacent parking lot at Cosmo Park is necessary to the welfare and improvement of the City.

SECTION 2. The nature and scope of the improvements shall consist of furnishing all labor, materials, transportation, insurance and all other items, accessories and incidentals thereto necessary for the complete construction of the improvements.

SECTION 3. The estimated cost of the improvements is \$140,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for the improvements shall be made from Park Sales Tax Funds and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

SECTION 5. Any work done in connection with the construction of the improvements specified above shall be in compliance with the provisions of the prevailing wage laws of the State of Missouri.

SECTION 6. This resolution shall be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the City of Columbia for seven (7) consecutive insertions, and a public hearing in respect to the improvements will be held in the Council Chamber of the Daniel Boone Building, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, at 7:00 p.m. on March 5, 2007.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2007.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor

Source

TO: City Council
FROM: City Manager and Staff
DATE: February 6, 2007
RE: Cosmo Park Harris Shelter



Mike Hood



Summary: The Department of Parks and Recreation is requesting authorization to proceed with improvements to Cosmo Park, specifically the re-construction of Harris Shelter with an expanded parking lot. During the expansion of the Antimi Sports Complex, the original Harris Shelter was removed for two additional softball/baseball fields. Instead of rebuilding the shelter near the already congested Antimi fields and the recently constructed Radio Control Track, staff is proposing that the shelter be located to the southwest corner of Cosmo Park near the site of the old Dexheimer Shelter. Total project cost is estimated at \$140,000 with \$125,000 from Park Sales Tax and \$15,000 in force account labor. Construction is scheduled to begin this summer and will be conducted by both contract and force account labor.

Fiscal Impact

YES X

NO

Project Description: This project is the result of the need to replace the 30+ year old Harris Shelter which was removed to make way for the two new ballfields at the Antimi Sports Complex in the Columbia Cosmopolitan Recreation Area (Cosmo Park). Even before the expansion of the Antimi fields, the original Harris Shelter was not often rented during the summer as the adjacent parking lot was usually filled with Antimi league or tournament participants and spectators. Park staff often prohibited shelter reservations, especially on tournament weekends, as there were just too many complaints from shelter users regarding the lack of parking near the shelter.

As the plans for widening of Interstate 70 and Business Loop 70 no longer include the possibility of re-routing the roads through the southwest corner of the park, staff believes that the area is a prime location for a shelter. The proposed shelter location will be on an existing overlook point in the park and with the expanded parking lot, it will provide an excellent setting with convenient parking and access. The shelter will be approximately 25' x 45' in size and will be similar in style and scope to the recently constructed shelters in Stephens Lake Park. The project also consists of enlarging the existing parking area to an eighty (80) car parking lot with a minor re-alignment of the existing road to soften the curve.

Park staff has carefully reviewed the development potential of this area and believe that if needed, a 1.25 acre site remains for a fire station at some future date. The proposed station would sit between the Cosmo Park road and Business Loop 70, directly opposite of the Extended Stay Hotel.

Other Info.
Proj #C00277
Ward 2

Contract labor will be used for the site grading, construction of the shelter, parking lot and road, and all connecting walkways. The site grading for this project will improve the aesthetic quality of the space by creating an earth berm screen along the park boundary that will better separate the shelter from the negative impacts associated with the traffic on the Business Loop and Interstate 70.

Force account labor will be used to complete the landscape plan. Vegetative screening will be planted to enhance the overall appearance of the area to create a more desirable park experience for those choosing to rent this shelter.

The project is included in the City's FY-07 capital improvement budget with a total cost of \$140,000 including funding in the amount of \$125,000 from the Park Sales Tax (PST) and \$15,000 in force account labor. Construction is scheduled to begin this spring with the project being 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, and following the public hearing, the ordinance authorizing the project should be adopted.

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CONCEPTUAL RE-LOCATION PLAN FOR
HARRIS SHELTER IN OLD COSMO PARK

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