Agenda Item Number: R 210-14  
Department Source: Parks and Recreation  
To: City Council  
From: City Manager & Staff  
Council Meeting Date: November 17, 2014  
Re: Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center Improvements  

Documents Included With This Agenda Item  
Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance  
Supporting documentation includes: Map  

Executive Summary  
The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to proceed with improvements to the Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center located within Albert-Oakland Park. As shown in the City's FY-2015 CIP, the department is recommending the replacement of the water play structure at the aquatic facility. The improvement will include the complete replacement of the existing structure and all necessary infrastructure work to complete the project. The project budget is $150,000 and funding is provided through the Recreation Services User Fee Fund. The project will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department and will be completed using a combination of contract and force account labor. Work is scheduled to begin this winter with the goal of having the play structure operational at the beginning of the 2015 aquatic season.  

Discussion  
The 73-acre Albert-Oakland Park located at 1900 Blue Ridge Road provides recreational activities for all age groups with tennis courts, shelters, pickleball courts, playgrounds and sports fields available throughout the park. The park also contains the Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center, two disc golf courses and serves as a trailhead for the Bear Creek Trail. The Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center is the largest aquatic facility operated by the Parks and Recreation Department and had 22,800 visitors at the facility in 2014.  

The Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center underwent a major renovation in 1999 including improvements to the 50-meter pool, addition of the existing water play structure, addition of new seating and funbrellas and necessary mechanical improvements. Since the renovations in 1999, facility improvements have also included the addition of a 125-foot double-loop enclosed slide and made necessary improvements to the bathhouse.  

The water play structure at Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center is a large play feature designed for children to provide a different type of water play through sprinklers, cannons, small slides and sprays. The existing water play structure is over 15 years old, and park staff identified the replacement of the structure as a necessary improvement for the aquatic center. The replacement of the play structure is needed due to the current condition of the amenity, estimated costs to repair and refinish the
existing structure and the lack of available replacement parts. Park staff is proposing to use funds available through the Recreation Services User Fee Fund to replace the existing structure. The proposed improvements will include the removal and replacement of the existing structure with a new water play feature similar in size and play features. The removal of the existing structure will be done by park staff and the new play structure will be installed using contract labor. At the time of replacement, park staff will also evaluate the water lines and drains located in the small pool area and make any repairs or replacement of pipes, if needed. Park staff will also repaint the pool shell once the installation of the new feature is completed.

The replacement of the water play structure at Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center is included in the City’s FY-2015 Capital Improvement Program budget, with site improvements scheduled to begin in winter 2015. Staff anticipates that the improvements will be completed by the beginning of the 2015 aquatics season. All work and materials will be bid through the City’s Purchasing Department and will be completed using a combination of contract and force account labor.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The total project budget is $150,000 and is funded by the Recreation Services User Fee Fund. The fund is a dedicated user fee comprised of a portion of recreation services revenue from each paid participant in an activity, sport or visit to a recreation facility. Staff does not anticipate any additional costs associated with the replacement of the water play features because utility costs associated with the new structure will be similar to current costs at the facility.

Long-Term Impact: None

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Parks, Recreation and Greenways
Strategic Plan Impact: Customer Focused Government, Health, Safety and Wellbeing
Comprehensive Plan Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities

Suggested Council Action

Approve the Council legislation setting a public hearing for the proposed project. Following the public hearing, approve the ordinance authorizing the project to proceed.

Legislative History

None

Department Approved

City Manager Approved
A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for construction of improvements to the Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center located within Albert-Oakland Park; stating the nature of and the estimate of the cost of the improvement; 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 the construction of improvements to the Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center located within Albert-Oakland Park, specifically to include the replacement of the water play structure and related infrastructure work, necessary to the welfare and improvement of the City.

SECTION 2. The nature and scope of the improvement 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 this improvement is $150,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for this improvement shall be made from Recreation Services User Fees and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

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

SECTION 6. A public hearing in respect to this improvement will be held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall Building, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, at 7:00 p.m. on December 1, 2014. The City Clerk shall cause notice of this hearing to be published in a newspaper published in the City.

ADOPTED this ______ day of ___________________________, 2014.
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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