Agenda Item Number: B 356-14  
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

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Department Approved

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City Manager Approved
AN ORDINANCE

determining it is in the public interest to construct improvements to the Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center located within Albert-Oakland Park; approving and adopting plans and specifications; determining that a portion of the work shall be done by contract; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division; determining that a portion of the work shall 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 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; and

WHEREAS, the notice of a public hearing on this project 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 improvements.

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 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, 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, are hereby approved and made a part of this ordinance by reference.
SECTION 3. A portion of 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 installation of the new water play structure. As deemed advisable by the City Manager, City employees shall be used for removal of the existing water play structure and related infrastructure work and repairs.

SECTION 5. Payment for this improvement shall be made from Recreation Services User Fees 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.

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 ______________________, 2014.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk      Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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