

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: R 18-15

Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: 2/2/2015

Re: Barberry Park Property Development and Naming

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: Plats and Plans

Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to proceed with improvements to the park property located at 3405 Zinnia Drive and adopt "Barberry Park" as the official name of the park. As identified in the FY-2015 Capital Improvement Program, staff is proposing improvements at the 5.28-acre park, including the addition of a small shelter, playground, walking trail, open play field and basketball court. The total budget for the park development is \$125,000, with funding coming from the 2010 Park Sales Tax. The project will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department and will be completed using a combination of contract and force account labor. Improvements at the park are scheduled to begin spring 2015 with an anticipated completion date of late fall 2015.

Discussion

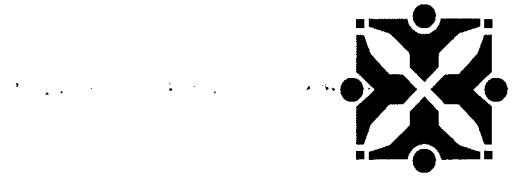
The 5.28-acre Barberry Park, located at 3405 Zinnia Drive, was purchased by the Parks and Recreation Department in 2009 with the intent to construct a neighborhood park on the property. The two lots purchased by the Department are part of the Valley View Ridge Subdivision located in northwest Columbia. The need to develop a neighborhood park in this area of Columbia was identified in the *2002 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan*. As a new park property, the Parks and Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to give the Department permission to proceed with the park development and establish "Barberry Park" as the official name of the park.

In September 2014, park planning staff began the process of identifying possible amenities to be located within the neighborhood park property. Discussion focused on utilizing the existing pond on the property and the park's proximity to surrounding neighborhoods and other parks and amenities in this area of Columbia. After park staff prepared a proposed plan for improvements, an interested parties meeting was held on October 7, 2014 at the Activity and Recreation Center to gather feedback regarding the potential improvements. Four individuals spoke with park staff, and two individuals filled out comment forms regarding the improvements to the park. All public comments from the interested parties meeting can be viewed online at:

https://www.gocolumbiamo.com/ParksandRec/Parks/Barberry_Park_Property/documents/BarberryParkDevelopmentIPComments.pdf

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Park staff also introduced the proposed improvements to the Parks & Recreation Commission at their January 15, 2015 meeting. After discussion of the project, the Commissioners approved the plans for the park development without discussion. After considering all citizen comments and the P&R Commission recommendation, staff believes that proposed improvements at Barberry Park represent a consensus of park users, P&R Commission and staff.

The proposed improvements at Barberry Park will include many typical neighborhood park amenities, including a 24' diameter shelter, playground for ages 5-12 and a half-court basketball court. Contract labor will be used for the installation of the playground, and park staff will construct the small shelter and basketball court. The park property has an existing pond located in the northeast corner of the park. Contract labor will be used to reconstruct the existing pond to create a $\frac{3}{4}$ -acre pond. The enlarged pond will serve as a fishing amenity, as well as for storm water control. The excess soil from the pond construction will be used to construct an open play field within the park on the east side of the property. Following the completion of the pond and open play field improvements, contract labor will be used to pour a six-foot concrete trail around the pond and connecting walkways to provide citizens with access to the park from Zinnia Drive and Grayson Drive. Lastly, park staff will complete all necessary landscaping improvements to the park, including tree planting, turf establishment and the addition of edible landscape plantings. Park staff will plant fruit or nut producing trees and fruit producing shrubs in designated areas of the park. A complete signage plan for the park will also be added to educate the public about the availability and location of edible plants at the park. A plan showing the proposed improvements to the park property is included with this Council memo.

The park improvements at Barberry Park are included in the City's FY-2015 Capital Improvement Program budget, with site construction scheduled to begin this spring 2015. Staff anticipates that the improvements will be completed by late fall 2015. 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 cost for park improvements is \$125,000 and is funded by the 2010 Park Sales Tax.

Long-Term Impact: Barberry Park will require annual maintenance of all grounds and amenities. The annual budget impact to operations once the park is fully developed would be approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000 based on the maintenance associated with the shelter, playground, mowing of the park and trash service. Staff has been mowing the park property since the acquisition of the property in 2009.

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Parks, Recreation and Greenways

Strategic Plan Impact: Health, Safety and Wellbeing

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities

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Suggested Council Action

Approve the Council legislation setting a public hearing for the proposed project. Following the public hearing, approve the ordinance authorizing the Barberry Park improvements to proceed and adopting "Barberry Park" as the official name of the park.

Legislative History

Acquisition of Valley View Subdivision lots (Barberry Park) - Ordinance #20287, passed 6/1/2009
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Department Approved



City Manager Approved

A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for construction of park improvements on property located between Barberry Avenue and Zinnia Drive (3405 Zinnia Drive); 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 park improvements on property located between Barberry Avenue and Zinnia Drive (3405 Zinnia Drive), necessary to the welfare and improvement of the City. Specific improvements include construction of a small shelter, playground, half-court basketball court, concrete trails and connecting walkways, open play field, reconstruction of an existing pond and landscaping improvements to include tree plantings, turf establishment and edible landscape plantings.

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 \$125,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for this improvement 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 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 February 16, 2015. The City Clerk shall cause notice of this hearing to be published in a newspaper published in the City.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

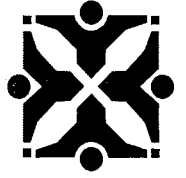
Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Plats and Plans

Barberry Neighborhood Park

3405 Zinnia Drive



PARK FEATURE LEGEND

ID	Description
1	<u>Primary Park Access</u> 10-Ft Concrete
2	<u>Park Walking Path - Pond Loop Trail</u> 5-Ft Concrete w/ Memorial Benches (5 Max)
3	<u>Park Entry/ Maintenance Access</u> 10-Ft Width, Concrete
4	<u>Edible Landscape Plantings</u> Primary Fruit/Nut Producing Trees/Shrubs
5	<u>Solar/Wind Generator Station</u> Supply Power for Pond Aerator Pump