



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Community Relations

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: April 18, 2016

Re: African American Heritage Trail

Executive Summary

This report is information only and describes plans for the Sharp End Heritage Committee to work with the Department of Parks and Recreation to gradually mark sites on and formalize an African American Heritage Trail.

Discussion

Last May members of the Sharp End Heritage Committee and a group of private and public partners (including the City of Columbia) recognized the former Sharp End business district with a historical marker. The marker was privately funded. Parks and Recreation installed the marker in the public right-of-way (north side of Fifth and Walnut garage) and will maintain it.

The Committee plans to designate more sites in central Columbia with privately funded markers which, as long as they are in the public right-of-way, can be installed and maintained by Parks and Recreation. The Department also will work with the Committee to formally plot a trail that has been in the making for several years.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Costs can be absorbed into the Parks and Recreation Department's existing budget.

Long-Term Impact: Costs can be absorbed into the Parks and Recreation Department's existing budget.

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

[Vision Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Community Character, Secondary Impact: Community Pride & Human Relations, Tertiary Impact: Parks, Recreation and Greenways

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Social Equity, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History



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Date	Action
None	No previous history

Suggested Council Action

Accept the report and allow the Parks and Recreation Department to work with the Sharp End Heritage Committee to map the route and install and maintain markers, as they are funded by private sponsors.



- Plaque numbers and locations**
- 1 Stewart Road Bridge
 - 2 Douglass High School
 - 3 St. Paul AME
 - 4 Fifth St. Christian
 - 5 Second Baptist Church
 - 6 Blind Boone Home
 - 7 Cemetery Hill
 - 8 Urban Renewal marker
 - 9 Courthouse
 - 10 Annie Fisher House
 - 11 Civil Rights marker
 - 12 Nora Stewart Nursery
 - 13 Noble's Lumber
 - 14 Dr. McAllister
 - 15 McKinney Building
 - 16 Columbia Cemetery
 - 17 Cronan Market
 - 18 Trubie's Market
 - 19 3rd St. Market
 - 20 Harvey House
 - 21 Douglass Pool
 - 22 Friendship Baptist Church
 - 23 Doby Flats
 - 24 Thompson Temple
 - 25 Drs. Wiggins and Reynolds Clinic
 - 26 Original St. Lukes Church
 - 27 Original Russell Chapel
 - 28 Montie's BBQ
 - 29 Blue and White Cafe/Bar
 - 30 Tiger Theater
- Sites to be Determined**
- Flat Branch Creek
 - Millers Shoe Repair
 - Ms. Jennie's Restaurant

Trail Length
 Approx. 2 Miles