

### **A RESOLUTION**

declaring the necessity for the construction of concrete walkways and the installation of wrought iron fencing, a small memorial bench with paver patio and landscaping and turf projects as part of the Douglass High School infrastructure project; 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 concrete walkways and the installation of wrought iron fencing, a small memorial bench with paver patio and landscaping and turf projects as part of the Douglass High School infrastructure project, 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 \$33,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for this improvement shall be made from funds received from the PedNet Coalition, Inc. 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 May 6, 2013. The City Clerk shall cause notice of this hearing to be published in a newspaper published in the City.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

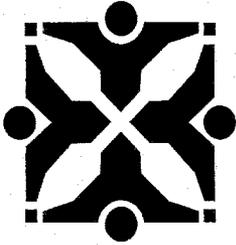
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Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor



Source: Parks and Recreation *MSB*

Agenda Item No:

To: City Council  
From: City Manager and Staff *MM*

Council Meeting Date: April 15th, 2013

Re: Douglass High School Sidewalk and Landscaping Improvements

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Parks & Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to execute an agreement with the PedNet Coalition, Inc. and appropriate the funds for improvements along Providence Road in front of Douglass Park and High School. Total project cost is \$33,000 and will be funded by the PedNet Coalition, Inc. As part of the South Providence Road Improvement Project, the Department is proposing to improve the sidewalk infrastructure along Providence Road and park staff will make additional fencing, landscaping and turf improvements along the new concrete walkways. Park planning staff has met with representatives from Columbia Public Schools, the Housing Authority, MODOT and Public Works and the proposed plan represents a consensus of the groups concerning the improvements to the front of Douglass High School. The project will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department and will be completed using a combination of contract and staff park labor. Work is scheduled to begin in May with completion of the project during the Summer of 2013.

**DISCUSSION:**

As part of the South Providence Road improvement project, renovations to the existing walkway infrastructure and removal of the Providence Road overpass at Douglass High School were recommended by various groups concerned about student safety and access along Providence Road. As part of the overall improvement project on Providence Road, the Parks and Recreation Department was approached to design and oversee the improvements of sidewalk infrastructure at the front of Douglass High School located at 310 N. Providence Road. Improvements were scheduled to take place at the high school once the existing Providence overpass was removed and the new median/crosswalk improvements were completed by the Missouri Department of Transportation and the Columbia Public Works Department.

Parks and Recreation staff (planners and administration) held public meetings as far back as November 2011 to discuss safety and security improvements for the park. Park planners later began meeting during the summer of 2012 to start initial discussions about the proposed Providence Road renovations and identify needed improvements at the high school. After multiple meetings, a concept plan was distributed to staff members of Columbia Public Schools, the PedNet Coalition, the Housing Authority, Columbia Public Works and MODOT. Discussions centered around which sidewalks would be removed and/or saved as well as how to buffer the traffic on Providence Road from the new sidewalks and Douglass High School. A recommendation was made to incorporate a small seating area and memorial bench for Beulah Ralph. Funds for the Beulah Ralph Memorial will be funded by others at a later date. Other recommendations included new fencing around the school parking lot that would match existing fencing at the Housing Authority property.

Park staff will coordinate all contract labor for the concrete work and wrought iron fence. Contract labor will be used to construct a new 6 ft. concrete walkway at the front of the school connecting the walkway from Douglass Park to the W. Park Avenue intersection. There will also be a new 8 ft. walkway leading into the main entrance of the high school as well as new staging areas for citizens crossing the adjacent streets via the crosswalks. One of the goals of this project was to eliminate the old green chain link fence along Providence Road that boarded the park and high school. In return for the removal of this fence, the Columbia Public School District requested that a new 6 ft. black wrought iron fence be constructed along the north side of the high school parking lot. This fence will connect to an existing gate and fence and allow the school district to better secure their grounds during the school year. The wrought iron fence will match the current fencing at the Housing Authority properties. Similar 6 ft. wrought iron fence will replace the existing 6 ft. chainlink fence between Douglass Park's basketball court and Providence Road.

Park staff will be responsible for the remaining renovations to the front of the high school and will include multiple landscaping and turf projects. Park staff will install multiple 30" berms along the sidewalk to create separation from Providence Road and direct students and citizens to use the crosswalks when trying to go across Providence Road. The berms will also serve as landscaping beds with park staff installing a variety of shrubs and groundcovers to add color and aesthetic value to the site. A small memorial bench with paver patio will also be installed along the sidewalk as a memorial to Beulah Ralph who worked at Douglass High School for over 50 years. Park staff will complete all turf renovations once construction is completed and will be responsible for site cleanup at the conclusion of the project.

Total project cost for these improvements is \$33,000 and is funded by the PedNet Coalition. Construction is scheduled to begin in May with all portions of the project completed by the end of the summer. The work will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department and will be completed using a combination of contract and force account labor. Contract labor will be used for the installation of all concrete walkways and fencing improvements. Park staff will construct all required landscaping and turf improvements including the Beulah Ralph Memorial sitting area.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This is a renovation project of the existing fences, concrete walkways and landscaping at the front of Douglass Park and High School. The total project cost is estimated at \$33,000 and is funded by the PedNet Coalition. The Parks and Recreation Department currently maintains the Douglass Park grounds and Columbia Public Schools will assume responsibilities related to the landscaping in front of Douglass High School once the project is completed.

**VISION IMPACT:**

<http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/Council/Meetings/visionimpact.php>

5.3 Goal: Columbians will live in well maintained, environmentally sound neighborhoods that include a range of housing options and prices; that are within walking distance of amenities such as schools, places of worship, shopping and recreation facilities; and that are supported by citywide bicycle, pedestrian and transit systems.

13.1 Goal: Columbia will enjoy a safe, interconnected, non-motorized transportation network. It will be culturally supported by the citizens as it will encourage social interaction and healthy lifestyles. The roadway, sidewalk, public transit and trail systems will all tie together into an effective integrated transportation network.

**SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTIONS:**

Approve the resolution setting a public hearing for the proposed project. Following the public hearing, approve the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with the PedNet Coalition, Inc., and appropriate the funds for the project.

<b>FISCAL and VISION NOTES:</b>					
<b>City Fiscal Impact</b> Enter all that apply		<b>Program Impact</b>		<b>Mandates</b>	
City's current net FY cost	\$33,000.00	New Program/ Agency?	No	Federal or State mandated?	No
Amount of funds already appropriated	\$0.00	Duplicates/Epands an existing program?	No	<b>Vision Implementation impact</b>	
Amount of budget amendment needed	\$33,000.00	Fiscal Impact on any local political subdivision?	No	Enter all that apply: Refer to Web site	
Estimated 2 year net costs:		<b>Resources Required</b>		Vision Impact?	Yes
One Time	\$33,000.00	Requires add'l FTE Personnel?	No	Primary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	5.3
Operating/ Ongoing	\$0.00	Requires add'l facilities?	No	Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	13.1
		Requires add'l capital equipment?	No	Fiscal year implementation Task #	



**LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS**  
**DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL**  
 310 NORTH PROVIDENCE ROAD

**FEATURE LEGEND**

ID	Description	Qty	Comment
1	6-ft Concrete Sidewalk	372 L.F.	Replace Existing
2	Not Used		
3	8-ft Concrete Sidewalk	62 L.F.	Replace Existing
4	Beulah Ralph Memorial Plaza	1	Brick Arc, 10' Rad. from CL w/ Bronze Plaque, Boulder, w/ (2) Benches
5	Concrete Staging Area	750 S.F.	
6	6-ft Estate Fence, Color: Black	345 L.F.	Min. 3-Ft from sidewalk
7	Landscape Berms	Per Plan	Max. 30" Height
8	Site Select Boulders	6-8	To be Selected by Park Staff
9	Recycled Rubber Wheel Stop	12	Min. 36" from face of New CL Fence

**GENERAL NOTES**

- Existing trees identified to remain shall be a protected at all times
- Boulder Bench to be set a min. 18" above grade
- All areas identified to receive mulch, to be planted/seeded with shrubs and groundcover. Not to exceed 24" in height.
- Proposed Accent Tree Species:  
 (Interior) *Chionanthus virginicus* Fringetree



**SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

DATE: 03/08/13

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