A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for construction of park improvements at Jay Dix Station; stating the nature of and the estimate of the cost of the improvements; providing for payment for the improvements; 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 at Jay Dix Station, specifically to include construction of a small neighborhood shelter, playground, full-length basketball court, installation of fitness equipment stations, and development of three multi-use fields and a mountain bike skills course accessible from the MKT Trail, 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 $125,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for the 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 November 19, 2012. The City Clerk shall cause notice of this hearing to be published in a newspaper published in the City.

ADOPTED this _____ day of ___________________________, 2012.
ATTEST:

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City Clerk                      Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor
Re: Jay Dix Station Development

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Parks & Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to proceed with improvements to the Jay Dix Station property. The 30-acre parcel of land is owned by the County of Boone, however in 2009 the City of Columbia and Boone County entered into a park operating agreement whereby the City would take over the responsibility of developing and maintaining a park at Jay-Dix Station for the benefit of Boone County residents. As shown in the City’s FY-2013 CIP, the department is recommending the addition of a small neighborhood shelter, playground, full-length basketball court and a cluster of fitness equipment station pieces for park users. The project will also include the development of three new multi-use fields and a mountain bike skills course accessible from the MKT trail. The project budget is $125,000 and was included and funded in the 2010 Park Sales Tax ballot issue. The project will be bid through the City’s Purchasing Department and will be completed with a combination of contract and force account labor. Work is scheduled to begin this fall or early winter with the goal of having all the park amenities in use by the end of the summer 2013.

DISCUSSION:
The 30 acre Jay Dix Station Development located at 3775 South Scott Boulevard is owned by the County of Boone, Missouri. In 2009, the City of Columbia and Boone County entered into a park operating agreement, whereby the City would take over the responsibility of developing and maintaining a park at Jay Dix Station for the benefit of Boone County residents, with the exception of the existing Boone County MKT Trail, which was to remain under the jurisdiction of the County. The current property has two parking lots constructed at the site to provide citizens with parking access to the MKT trail. These lots will be used as primary parking for the new park development. As part of the agreement for the property, the proposed plans for the site development will also be presented to the Boone County Commission for their review and approval prior to any work proceeding.

Parks and Recreation staff (planners, programmers, & rangers) had an initial on-site meeting to discuss the property and the different amenities that could be constructed within the site. Information from this meeting was used to develop a draft master plan which was presented to the public at an interested parties meeting on Thursday, September 27, 2012 on-site at the Jay-Dix Station. Approximately 15-20 people stopped by to look at the plans which included a shelter, playground, three multi-use fields, full size basketball court and continued access to the MKT trail. After the conclusion of the public interest meeting, additions to the plan included a mountain bike skills course and minor modifications to the location of the shelter and playground. Fifteen people completed surveys and the proposed plan represents a consensus of staff and those that submitted comments.

The development of the Jay Dix Station property includes the addition of multiple amenities to promote park usage, fitness and exercise throughout the park. Staff is proposing to construct a 24’ by 24’ shelter at the site as well as a playground and full basketball court. The shelter and basketball court will be constructed by park staff and the playground will be installed by contract labor. A cluster of fitness equipment will be added on the trail that connects the parking lot to the MKT trail. The fitness equipment will include 8 pieces of exercise and stretching equipment similar to the equipment cluster located at the MKT-MLK Gardens trail connector and include pieces such as stretching bars, a bench press station, leg press and pull up bars.

The development of the property includes the addition of three 100 X 50 yard multi-use fields that will be available for open practice or games by all types of sports teams. The additional fields are needed based on the amount of use the existing Scott Blvd fields have on an annual basis. Plus, these additional fields were proposed in an earlier master plan as proposed by Boone County many years ago. The grading and site
preparation will be completed using contract labor with seeding and turf development completed by park staff. The site preparation will include the removal of 53 trees on the property none of which have a Diameter-at-Breast Height (DBH) exceeding 12-inches. Many of these trees have recently grown since the property has not been mowed as often as before. The proposed site of the three practice fields includes 29 Eastern Red Cedars which is considered an invasive species. The remaining trees include boxelder, green ash and sycamore varieties. Park staff has budgeted for the replacement of 20-30 hardwood trees throughout other portions of the property and more may be planted depending on available finances.

The final development of the property will be the addition of a .25 mile mountain bike skills loop with loop access from two points along the MKT trail within the Jay Dix Station. The mountain bike skills loop will involve minimal clearing of a bike path throughout the wooded area south of the MKT trail and the skills loop will include multiple ramps and slopes used to develop the riding skills for beginners and experienced riders.

The Jay Dix Station Development project is included in the City’s FY-13 capital improvement budget with site construction scheduled to begin in November 2013. Different aspects of the renovations will take place throughout the winter and spring months with the goal of completing the majority of the projects by the end of the summer 2013. All work and materials will be bid through the City’s Purchasing Department and will be completed using a combination of contract and park staff labor. Contract labor will be used for grading and playground installation with park staff constructing the shelter, mountain bike skills course and all final landscaping and tree planting.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**
The total project budget is $125,000 and is funded by the 2010 Park Sales Tax. Once the Jay Dix Station is developed, staff estimates an annual maintenance expense of $6,300 in labor and $1,500 in materials and supplies for the park. It is anticipated that a limited amount of revenue will be generated from the rental of the fields and shelter to help offset some of the maintenance expenses.

**VISION IMPACT:**
http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/Council/Meetings/visionimpact.php

12.1 Goal: A variety of attractive, well-maintained parks throughout Columbia-including neighborhood parks, regional parks, nature parks, and urban parks-will ensure all residents have access to a full range of outdoor and indoor recreational opportunities.

12.2 Goal: Columbia’s recreational needs and desires will be met through effective public and private partnerships that provide outstanding, exciting, and diverse recreational facilities such as, but not limited to, an ice skating rink, golf courses, tennis courts, soccer fields, ball fields, ball parks, and swimming pools. These facilities will be placed appropriately throughout the city to allow easy access for everyone.

Implementation task #40: Fund and complete capital improvement program projects (parks).

**SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTIONS:**
Approve the resolution setting a public hearing for the proposed project. Following the public hearing, approve the ordinance authorizing the project to proceed.
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