AN ORDINANCE

determining it is in the public interest to construct a new restroom building and connecting 6-foot and 12-foot walkways at 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 project 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 a new restroom building and connecting 6-foot and 12-foot walkways at Albert-Oakland Park; 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 improvement.

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 a new restroom building and connecting 6-foot and 12-foot walkways at Albert-Oakland Park 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 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 construction of the 6-foot and 12-foot connecting walkways. As deemed advisable by the City Manager, City employees shall be used for the installation of the small, pre-cast concrete restroom.

SECTION 5. Payment for this improvement shall be made from park sales tax funds 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 ______________________, 2012

ATTEST:

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City Clerk      Mayor and Presiding Officer
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Parks & Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to proceed with improvements to Albert-Oakland Park. As shown in the City’s FY-2013 CIP, the department is recommending the addition of a restroom which will service the disc golf course, tennis courts, shelters 2 & 3, and the two baseball/softball fields. The restroom construction will include the installation of new six foot and 12 foot walkways within the park allowing for user access from all directions. The project budget is $125,000 and is being funded through 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 the restroom operational at the beginning of the spring 2013 baseball/softball 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, playgrounds and sports fields available throughout the park. The park also contains the Albert-Oakland Family Aquatic Center and two disc golf courses. With multiple activities taking place each day and heavy use by Columbia citizens, the need for an additional restroom was originally expressed by our baseball/softball user groups and gained support from disc golf and shelter users when the proposed location was presented to the groups.

The Parks and Recreation staff held an initial on-site meeting to discuss the possible location of the restroom and identify a site that would fulfill the needs of multiple park users including the users of the disc golf course, shelters, playground, and the baseball/softball fields. Staff also determined that the current 12 foot asphalt path from the tennis courts to the baseball/softball fields needed to be replaced and is proposing to replace it with a new concrete path. The proposed 12-ft walkway will create more visibility than the current path and correct drainage issues of the old asphalt walkway. The project includes new 6 ft walkways around the restroom to allow for ADA access to the facility.

After the restroom site was determined, park planning staff held an interested parties meeting at the ARC on Thursday, August 16th to present the proposed restroom project to the public and the Parks & Recreation Commission. After the conclusion of the public interest meeting, minor modifications to the location was made and the project plans were finalized.

Staff is proposing to install a small, pre-cast concrete restroom, approximately (136 sq ft), at Albert-Oakland park. The restroom will be similar to the facilities located at the MKT trailheads and commonly found in Missouri’s state parks. This restroom has an estimated cost of $78,000 which includes materials, supplies, utilities, grading and installation by park staff. The 752 ft. of proposed 12-ft and 6-ft ADA walkways to connect the restroom to different amenities in the park has an estimated cost of $47,000 and will be completed using contract labor.

FISCAL IMPACT:
The total project budget is $125,000 and is funded by the 2010 Park Sales Tax. Slightly higher water, sewer and electric bills are anticipated as a result of the new restroom, but the increase will be minimal as the Department will not have to rent port-a-pots once construction is complete. On-going maintenance of the deteriorated asphalt walkway will also be eliminated as it will be replaced with the new concrete walkway.
VISION IMPACT:
http://www.gocolumbiago.com/Council/Meetings/visionsimpact.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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Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #: 12.2
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