

Date September 10, 2007

Agenda Item No. 73
Roll Call No. <u>07-</u>
Communication No. 07-535

Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Park

and Recreation Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Dedication as Parkland and Naming of Long Look Garden.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval to execute the dedication of the public space area located between Grand Avenue and Locust Street between the Des Moines River and City Hall to be named as Long Look Garden.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On August 8, 2005, by Roll Call No. 05-1862, the City Council ordered the construction of the Gardens on the west side of City Hall to be included as a part of the Principal Riverwalk. At that time, the specific boundaries of the parkland were not determined due to construction. Acceptance of the construction contract is substantially complete pending the final vegetation to be planted this fall.

The dedication of this site as parkland will allow the recently passed "No Smoking Ordinance" in designated sites be implemented.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

<u>Date</u>: August 8, 2005

Roll Call Number: 05-1862

<u>Action</u>: Riverwalk Civic Gardens – Receiving of Bids, (8-30-05), and Setting Date of Hearing, (9-12-05). (Construction Estimate - \$1,230,000). Moved by Brooks to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Final approval and acceptance of the construction contract following the plantings this fall.