



# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date July 27, 2009

Agenda Item No. 58  
Roll Call No. ~~09-~~  
Communication No. 09-540  
Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp  
Park and Recreation Director

## AGENDA HEADING:

Hold hearing on Amendment to Lease of a portion of Franklin Field (5200 Block of Franklin Avenue) to Polk County and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of Amendment to the Lease Agreement between the City of Des Moines Park and Recreation Department and Polk County, who operates the Northwest Senior & Community Center, and related improvements at Franklin Field. The Lease Agreement is for 65 years and calls for the addition of expanded parking to support the expansion of the Franklin Avenue Library, Polk County's Northwest Senior Center and the City's park users.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$40,000 for parking lot expansion, Engineer's estimate.

Funding Source: 2009-2010 CIP, LIB051, CP042, LIB990000, Franklin Avenue Library Expansion, Library Improvements, page 7.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On October 8, 2001, by Roll Call No. 01-3075, the City Council approved a 65 year Lease Agreement with Polk County for Polk County to construct a Senior/Community Center (now known as the "Northwest Senior & Community Center"), for the consideration of additional public improvements on Franklin Field (5200 Block of Franklin Avenue) in the amount of \$50,000. During this planning process, the City and County understood that the City intended to expand the Franklin Avenue Library, which is adjacent to the leased premises.

The Library Board of Trustees of the Des Moines Public Library and the City are in the process of bidding the Franklin Avenue Library expansion and have negotiated an Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Polk County, whereby the parking lot adjacent to the existing lot used by Polk County shall be constructed as a part of the base bid for the Franklin Avenue Library expansion. Since this parking lot expansion will be connected to the existing parking lot and shall be a public parking area serving Polk County, the Library and Franklin Field, this Amendment allows for shared use and shared maintenance.

The Amendment to the Lease Agreement, which is on file in the City Clerk's Office, provides for the City to be responsible for the maintenance/repair of the entire expanded parking area and that the snow removal responsibilities shall be shared between the City and the County.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: July 13, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-1216

Action: On amendment to lease of a portion of Franklin Field (5200 block of Franklin Avenue) to Polk County, (7-27-09). (Council Communication No. 09-480) Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: October 8, 2001

Roll Call Number: 01-3075

Action: On conveyance of property in Franklin Field, (5200 Franklin), to Polk County, for a 65-year lease, to construct a Senior/Community Center, \$50,000. (Council Communication No. 01-518). Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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