

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date	December 7, 2009
	Agenda Item No. 35 Roll Call No. <u>09-</u> Communication No. <u>09-845</u> Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Director of Parks and Recreation	

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of substituted and superseding Evelyn K. Davis Park Improvements Project Community Attraction and Tourism grant award contract, changing the completion date of the project from December 31, 2008 to May 31, 2009.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of and authorization for the Mayor to sign amended contract which supersedes the original contract for the Evelyn K. Davis Park Improvements Project Vision Iowa Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant contract. The grant was awarded December 13, 2006, and contract number 07-CAT-031 was approved by Council on March 12, 2007. The original contract had a term date of December 31, 2008; however, the project was not completed until the end of March 2009. This amended contract keeps the contract in effect until May 31, 2009, thereby allowing for the extended project completion date.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The May 7, 2009 letter from City Engineer Jeb Brewer to the Vision Iowa Board requested final disbursement of the grant funds for the Evelyn K. Davis Park Improvements Project (copy of letter attached) as the project was complete and payment had been made to the contractor in late March 2009. The letter outlined the overall costs of the project and also indicated that, while all work on the project was substantially completed by the original Vision Iowa contract date of December 31, 2008, there were outstanding punch-list items that had prevented the City from making final payment to the contractor within that timeline. Therefore the letter also requested an amendment to the Vision Iowa agreement reflecting the final completion date. The Vision Iowa Board has responded to that request with this amended contract document that requires the mayor's signature as well as that of the president of the Vision Iowa Board.

The Evelyn K. Davis Park Improvements Project involved \$450,000 in capital improvements for the park, located at 16th and Forest, in the King Irving Neighborhood. The project was initiated by William Knapp, who gathered financial support from several Des Moines-area agencies to finance the infrastructure enhancements, including \$250,000 in grants and commitments from United Way, Polk

County and Prairie Meadows. \$50,000 of the FY 2006-07 Park Improvements CIP was committed to meet the local match requirement for a CAT grant application, both of which were authorized by the Des Moines City Council on September 25, 2006.

A CAT grant application requesting funding of \$150,000 was submitted to the Vision Iowa Board, which awarded the project \$130,000 in December 2006. By Roll Call 07-499, City Council accepted the award and authorized City funding for the remaining \$20,000 so the project could proceed.

Improvements to the park are: a half-court basketball court including an attached seating area; additional playground equipment including a Spacenet climber, free standing play panels, and a talk tube; an open-air shelter with picnic tables and grills; a circuitous walking path; and expansion of the former single-person men's and women's restrooms to include multiple-stall facilities as well as a family restroom.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 7, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-837

Action: Ordering construction of the following: Evelyn K. Davis Park Improvements – Receiving of bids, (5-22-07), and setting date of hearing, (6-4-07). (Construction Estimate - \$375,430). (Council Communication No. 07-270) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: March 12, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-499

Action: Acceptance of \$130,000 Community Attraction and Tourism Program (CAT) grant award with conditions and funding commitment, and (B) Approval of CAT Agreement number 07-CAT-031. (Council Communication No. 07-145) Moved by Mahaffey to approve. Motion passed 6-0.

Date: September 25, 2006

Roll Call Number: 06-1932

Action: Acceptance of donations to fund Evelyn K. Davis Park improvements and programs. (Council Communication No. 06-623) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion passed 6-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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