

Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 33
Roll Call No. 10Communication No. 10-096
Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp

Park and Recreation Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of letter of support for a KaBOOM! Playground Grant Application for Edna Griffin Park, 1614 13th Street.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of letter of support for the King Irving and Mondamin Presidential Neighborhoods' submission of a grant application for a KaBOOM! Playground Grant at Edna Griffin Park.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: None at this time. If the Neighborhoods' grant application is approved and the project is further approved by Council, the estimated value of the City's contribution is \$5,000 for survey, site plan, engineering review of construction, and seeding. The estimated value of the grant award (gift) is \$50,000.

<u>Funding Source</u>: None at this time. If the Neighborhoods' grant application is approved and the project is further approved by Council, the funding source will be: 2009-2010 CIP, G.O. Bonds from Neighborhood Park Improvements, CP040PKS990000, PKS 137, page 15.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The King Irving and Mondamin Presidential Neighborhoods plan to apply for a playground grant through KaBOOM!. If awarded, the playground will be installed by volunteers at Edna Griffin Park, 1614 13th Street.

KaBOOM! is a national non-profit organization dedicated to bringing play back into the lives of children. They facilitate building innovative, kid-inspired playspaces using a community-build model which improves the well-being of children and serves the communities in which they live. KaBOOM! playgrounds are built by Funding Partner volunteers and community residents working side by side.

If approved for the playground grant, King Irving and Mondamin Presidential Neighborhoods will fund \$10,000 through Thrivent Builds Neighborhoods with Habitat for Humanity. KaBOOM! provides up to \$40,000 in playground equipment with a corporate sponsor such as Home Depot. If further approved by the City Council, City staff will help with the removal of the old playground, design of the new playground, preparation of the site, and assist the volunteers with the installation on build day. The new

playground will be ADA compliant and reviewed by staff to determine it was constructed in a safe and functional condition.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Acceptance of KaBOOM! Playground Grant and agreement for construction.

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