 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date:	September 26, 2016
	Agenda Item No.	7A
	Roll Call No.	<u>16-1590</u>
	Communication No.	<u>16-553</u>
	Submitted by:	Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director and Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: Allen Park Community Garden Redevelopment - Receiving bids, (10-11-16), and Setting date of hearing, (10-24-16). Construction Estimate - \$140,000.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council proceed with construction of the improvement and set dates to receive bids and hold a public hearing, as required by Iowa Code, utilizing the method of financing referenced below. The project includes the construction of Allen Community Gardens which includes raised planter beds, irrigation system, walking paths, and fencing.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$140,000 (City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2016-2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page Park – 10, Park Improvements, PK137, G. O. Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Park and Recreation Department operates Allen Park at East 6th Street and Maury Street and is undertaking a project to develop community gardens at the park.

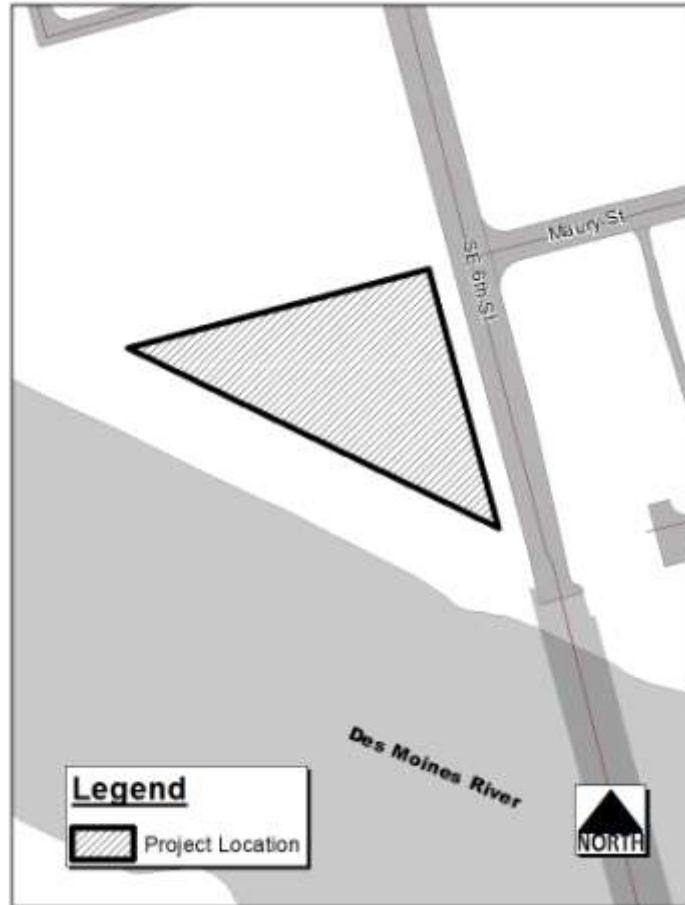
On February 22, 2016, by Roll Call No. 16-0341, the City Council approved the vacation and conveyance of an estimated 0.61-acres of Allen Park to Eagle View Lofts, LLC for \$1 in exchange for a perpetual easement for public ingress-egress, parking and dumpster space dedicated for Allen Park users.

On June 27, 2016, by Roll Call No. 16-1052, the City Council approved a donation agreement that allowed the developer of Eagle View Lofts to grade the Allen Park site in preparation for the community garden improvements proposed as part of this action.

The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer’s estimate for the construction of the Allen Park Community Garden Redevelopment, 11-2015-007. The improvement includes construction of Allen Community Gardens that includes fine

grading, fence, an irrigation system and hydrants, an aggregate walking surface, placing and filling raised planter beds, site restoration, and other associated work and incidental items; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 576-109/117, located at 800 S.E. 6th Street in Des Moines, Iowa.

The estimated construction cost is \$140,000. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the Des Moines City Engineer's Office.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 27, 2016

Roll Call Number: [16-1052](#)

Action: [Donation](#) Agreement with Eagle View Lofts, LLC, regarding grading services for Allen Park, E. 6th and Maury Street. ([Council Communication No. 16-360](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Urban Design Review Board

Date: September 15, 2015

Resolution Number: N/A

Action: Approval of final design as presented.

Board: Park and Recreation Board

Date: September 22, 2015

Resolution Number: 15-064

Action: Approve a recommendation that City Council vacate and convey an estimated 0.63-acres of Allen Park, located at 806 SE 6th Street, to Eagle View Lofts, LLC for \$1, in exchange for a perpetual easement for the use of 10 parking spaces dedicated for Allen Park users on a parking lot constructed and maintained by Eagle View Lofts, LLC and accept the donation of the grading of Allen Park to prepare for community gardens. Motion by Feltner to approve the Allen Park land vacation and conveyance, Second by Woodard, Motion carried.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Anticipated actions include public hearing, receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond; also partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.

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