

Council Communication

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Communication No.

17-681

Submitted by: Benjamin R. Page, Park

and Recreation Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of a Donation and Construction Agreement between Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, Inc. (d/b/a Rebuilding Together) and the City of Des Moines regarding Stewart Square playground.

SYNOPSIS:

Approving a Donation and Construction Agreement between Rebuilding Together, an Iowa non-profit corporation, (Kimberly Hansen, Executive Director, 1111 9th Street, Suite 265, Des Moines, Iowa) and the City of Des Moines in order to construct a new playground and related improvements at Stewart Square.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Amount</u>: Estimated value of the donation is \$80,000. The estimated cost of the City's contribution is \$7,500.

<u>Funding Source</u>: 2018 CIP, Page Parks – 11, Park Improvements, PK137, Being: \$7,500 in G.O. Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Stewart Square revitalization is a project of Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines, with volunteer work completed by Meredith Corporation employees. Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines is an affiliate of Rebuilding Together, Inc., a national non-profit organization dedicated principally to helping low-income homeowners, through home renovation and repair. The mission statement of Rebuilding Together is to preserve and revitalize houses and communities, assuring that qualified homeowners, particularly those who are elderly and disabled, and families with children, live in warmth, safety, and independence.
- The Stewart Square revitalization will include a new playground (meeting all safety and accessibility standards), new bike racks, new trees, new perennials, removal of existing block walls in disrepair and monument stone text shaded.
- This project represents the 13th time that Rebuilding Together Greater Des Moines has done improvement work at a Des Moines park or trail. The following is a list of the project locations and year of completion:

0	2004	Martin Luther King Jr. Park
0	2005	Meredith Trail
0	2006	Meredith Trail
0	2007	Meredith Trail
0	2008	Woodland Cemetery
0	2009	Ashfield Park
0	2010	Meredith Trail, Ewing Park Lilac Arboretum
0	2012	Columbus Park
0	2013	Columbus Park
0	2014	Pocket Park 1, Martin Luther King Jr. Park
0	2015	Burke Park
0	2016	Redhead Park



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

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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