


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	19-378	Meeting:	August 19, 2019
	Agenda Item:	47	Roll Call:	19-1348
	Submitted by:	Scott E. Sanders, City Manager		

AGENDA HEADING:

Agreement for termination of previously executed agreement for Cooperative Public Service with Polk County, regarding the regional skateboard park to reflect that Polk County will own and operate the skateboard park after it is constructed.

SYNOPSIS:

Termination of previously executed agreement with Polk County regarding Lauridsen Skate Park in downtown Des Moines because Polk County now desires to own, manage, operate, and maintain the Skate Park, including any public art, and to continue to own the real property that was conveyed to Polk County on which the Lauridsen Skate Park will be constructed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$300,000

Funding Source: Grant from Metro Center Urban Renewal TIF District

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On March 26, 2018 by Roll Call No. 18-0528 the City Council approved an agreement with Polk County regarding the Lauridsen Skate Park in downtown Des Moines.
- Under the terms of the agreement, Polk County would be responsible for the design, funding and construction of a downtown regional skateboard park on a portion of City property north of the Rotary Riverwalk Park.
- The City of Des Moines would also have owned and operated the skate park upon completion and acceptance of the improvements by the City Council.
- Polk County now desires to design, fund, and construct the Skate Park and will own, manage, operate, and maintain the Skate Park and the property as a Polk County owned park.
- In order to allow Polk County to design, fund, and construct the Skate Park and own, manage, operate, and maintain the Skate Park and the property as a Polk County owned park, the previous agreement will need to be terminated.

- The City will provide a \$300,000 grant for the design and construction of a restroom at the skate park, subject to approval of an appropriate amendment to the Metro Center urban renewal plan incorporating the restroom improvements as part of the urban renewal project.
- The Lauridsen Skate Park will continue the development of the Principal Riverwalk and become a key regional attraction available to residents of Des Moines and visitors from around the country.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: April 22, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-0647](#)

Action: [Amendment](#) to Agreement for Cooperative Public Service between Polk County and City of Des Moines regarding “WOW” feature to Lauridsen Skateboard Park. ([Council Communication No. 19-168](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Parks and Recreation Board

Date: September 22, 2009

Resolution Number: 09-092

Action: Approve the conceptual development plan for West Riverside Drive.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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