


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>23-394</b>	Meeting:	<b>August 21, 2023</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>23</b>	Roll Call:	<b>23-1181</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of Donation Agreements for Des Moines North Side Community Recreation Center.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of two (2) Donation Agreements between the City of Des Moines and various donors and/the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Foundation, as described below regarding the North Side Community Recreation Center (to be known as Reichardt Community Recreation Center).

This Council action further expedites the naming process, in accordance with the City’s Policy for Naming of Streets, Facilities, and Park Land in the City of Des Moines, and approves the naming of several portions of the Center for a 20-year period, as described below in accordance with the naming agreements, and authorizes and directs the City Manager to determine the effective date of said naming rights upon Council acceptance of the project improvements.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: Value of the combined charitable donations is \$900,000. Total project cost is an estimated \$18,000,000.

Funding Source: Combined donation of \$900,000 to be deposited in 2023-2024 CIP, Page 64, Northside Community Recreation Center, Municipal Buildings, BL135.

- \$750,000 Prairie Meadows
- \$150,000 Principal Financial Group

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Des Moines North Side Community Recreation Center project (“Project” or “Center”) is to be located on property commonly referred to as the Grubb YMCA in Brian Melton Field Park and located in the vicinity of 1611 11th Street and 1600 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, upon which the City of Des Moines intends to construct, operate, program, and maintain the Project at an estimated, minimum construction goal of \$18,000,000 and anticipated project timeline with opening in 2026, for the benefit and enjoyment of the residents of the City.
- The City has committed \$12 million over four (4) years to this project.
- On March 27, 2023, \$1,550,000 of combined charitable donations were approved by City Council.

- The Project programming/planning phase was completed in early 2022, which included six (6) public meetings and more than 200 community conversations. The resulting program and conceptual design from the programming/planning phase is being used for fundraising.
- The donation agreement between Prairie Meadows and the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Foundation provides for a charitable contribution of \$750,000 to the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Foundation for transfer to the City for its use for the Project. Said total amount shall be paid by January 1, 2024. Upon payment to the City and completion and acceptance of the Project, the designated pool area shall be designated as “Prairie Meadows Pool” for a total period of 20 years.
- The donation agreement between Principal and the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Foundation provides for a charitable contribution of \$150,000 to the Des Moines Parks and Recreation Foundation for transfer to the City for its use for the Project. Said total amount shall be paid by January 1, 2024.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: March 27, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-0452](#)

Action: [Donation](#) and Naming Agreements for Des Moines North Side Community Recreation Center, approving naming of portions of the Center, and authorizing City Manager to determine effective date of such naming. ([Council Communication No. 23-145](#)) Moved by Boesen to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Sheumaker.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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