

Date September 13, 2010

WHEREAS, the City Park and Recreation Board has advised that at its meeting held on August 24, 2010, its members voted unanimously to approve the attached resolution regarding a motion to recommend that the City of Des Moines Tree Preservation Principles for City Property, Public Improvement Projects and Utilities Policy apply to easements granted by the City to the WRA and letter from the Board regarding a recommendation that \$15,000 from the tree replacement fund provided to the City by the WRA Tree Removal and Mitigation Policy be dedicated for parks and trail trees.

MOVED by _____ to receive and file and refer to City Manager for review and recommendation.

Approved as to Form:

Ann DiDonato
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Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
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_____ Mayor				

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

_____ City Clerk

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Motion to forward to council the recommendation that our mitigation plan serves as a floor for the plan. Motion carried by 12-0 vote.

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September 7, 2010

Honorable Mayor
And
Members of the City Council

The Park and Recreation Board reviewed an agenda item to receive and file information regarding sanitary sewer easements and access easements for the Des Moines Metropolitan Wastewater Reclamation Authority (WRA), Four Mile Interceptor, Phase 23, Segments 2-3 and Segments 4-5 Sanitary Sewer Projects at its August 24, 2010 meeting. To construct portions of this project, the WRA will also need to obtain temporary access agreements for parkland property which includes the Gay Lea Wilson trail, Sargent Park, and Pocket Park #2. These easements are scheduled to be considered for approval by the Council on September 13, 2010.

The Board has a keen interest in the beauty and conservation values of our City parks and recreational areas and with the protecting and enhancing the City's valuable tree resources. As a result of the Park and Recreation Board's discussion on this agenda item, the Board believes that it would serve the best interests of our parks and the City as a whole if at least \$15,000 of the WRA tree replacement funds are dedicated to replacement of trees in Sargent Park, Four Mile Community Center and along the Gay Lea Wilson Trail. The Board respectfully makes this recommendation to the City Council.

In addition, at the August 24 meeting the Board passed a formal resolution recommending to the City Council that the Des Moines tree mitigation ordinance and Tree Preservation Principals for City Property, Public Improvement Projects and Utilities policy be used as a minimum when determining the number and size of trees to be replaced on these projects and on future projects, but if the WRA tree mitigation policy would provide for more tree replacement funds, it is recommended that the WRA policy be used instead of the City's policy.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Galloway". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the printed name.

Joseph Galloway
Park and Recreation Board Chair

Cc: Richard Clark