A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for construction of four pickleball courts at the Albert-Oakland Park; stating the nature of and the estimate of the cost of the improvement; providing for payment for the improvement; providing for compliance with the prevailing wage law; and setting a public hearing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council deems the construction of four pickleball courts at the Albert-Oakland Park, necessary to the welfare and improvement of the City.

SECTION 2. The nature and scope of the improvement shall consist of furnishing all labor, materials, transportation, insurance and all other items, accessories and incidentals thereto necessary for the complete construction of the improvements.

SECTION 3. The estimated cost of this improvement is \$80,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for this improvement shall be made from park sales tax funds and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

SECTION 5. Any work done in connection with the construction of the improvement specified above shall be in compliance with the provisions of the prevailing wage laws of the State of Missouri.

SECTION 6. A public hearing in respect to this improvement will be held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall Building, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, at 7:00 p.m. on January 21, 2014. The City Clerk shall cause notice of this hearing to be published in a newspaper published in the City.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ , 2014.

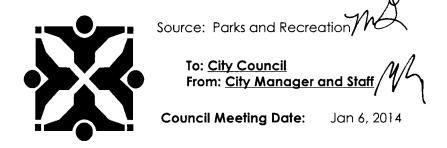
ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor



Re: Albert-Oakland Pickleball Courts

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Parks & Recreation Department is requesting Council approval to revise the Albert-Oakland Park Master Plan to include pickleball courts; proceeding with the construction of four pickleball courts and transferring the required funds. The construction of the four pickleball courts will take place on the south side of the existing tennis courts at the park, replacing the existing two sand volleyball courts. A project budget of \$50,000 was identified in the FY 2014 CIP, funded by the 2010 park sales tax. Staff is requesting a \$30,000 transfer from the Annual Park Improvement Project, so that the project can be accomplished by contract labor instead of force account labor, bringing the total project budget to \$80,000. Park staff is committed to numerous existing park sales tax projects and believes that this project can be completed in a timely manner by contract labor. The contract project will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department. Work is scheduled to begin in winter 2014 with an anticipated completion goal of summer 2014.

Agenda Item No:

DISCUSSION:

The proposed construction of four pickleball courts will take place at the 73-acre Albert-Oakland Park located at 1900 Blue Ridge Road. The park contains a variety of athletic activities and amenities, including baseball fields, disc golf courses, an aquatic facility, tennis courts and sand volleyball. Park staff feels that this location is ideal for the addition of the pickleball courts due to the proximity of ample parking, restrooms and adjacent tennis courts. Pickleball players currently utilize the three tennis courts at Albert-Oakland Park and are familiar with the park location in Columbia. The three tennis courts at the park were resurfaced in July 2013, and permanent pickleball line markings were added to the courts at the time of the renovation.

The sport of pickleball has grown exponentially over the past ten years and is now played in over 1,800 cities throughout the United States. The sport is a mixture of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong and is played on a smaller version of a tennis court. Originally created in 1965, pickleball has become one of the fastest growing sports in the United States due to the popularity of the sport among the baby boomer generation. Pickleball continues to grow in Columbia and is a popular event at the Show-Me State Games, with players traveling from eleven different states to play in the event in 2013. The Parks and Recreation Department currently has seven tennis courts with permanent lines for pickleball and P&R staff sets up the ARC gymnasium two days per week during the winter months for indoor pickleball. Columbia pickleball players also play indoors three days per week at New Haven Elementary School throughout the year. The opportunity to construct four permanent pickleball courts (Attachment A) at Albert-Oakland Park and potentially adding two more courts in the future will assist with the growth of the sport and reduce the usage of pickleball at facilities designed for other sports and activities.

Originally, the project was planned and budgeted in the FY-2014 CIP with the majority of the work being accomplished with force-account labor. After further consideration of the demand on staff time to complete other projects promised to voters in the 2010 park sales tax ballot, the Department would like to change this to a contracted project. The Department is requesting to transfer \$30,000 from the Annual Park Improvement project to add to the original budget of \$50,000 creating a total project budget of \$80,000.

The area designated for the courts is currently utilized as two sand volleyball courts. These sand volleyball courts were created over 20 years ago when the original 5 tennis courts were re-built. Unfortunately, the low bidder exceeded budget so two courts were only demolished and converted to sand volleyball. Over time, use of the sand courts decreased to no reservations and minimal pick-up play. Albert-Oakland Park will still have one remaining sand volleyball court located on the east side of the park. Park staff is proposing to construct four pickleball courts in 2014, and due to the size of the proposed area, will be able to add two more pickleball courts when additional funding becomes available. Along with the two additional courts,

the revised master plan (Attachment B) will also add a small shelter and water fountain adjacent to the six pickleball courts. The design of the area will allow the shelter to be used by tennis players, pickleball players and for tournament directors hosting tennis and pickleball events at the park.

On November 19, 2013, park staff held an interested parties meeting at New Haven Elementary School to discuss the proposed improvements with citizens. Over 40 individuals discussed the plans with park staff and offered comments concerning the pickleball court construction, location and usage. There was no opposition to replacing the existing two sand volleyball courts in that location. Following the interested parties meeting, park staff introduced the pickleball construction plans to the Parks and Recreation Commission on November 21, 2013. After a discussion of the proposed plans, the P&R Commission voted to recommend the construction of the four courts and accept the comprehensive plan. After considering all citizen comments and the P&R Commission recommendation, staff believes that the proposed plans for Albert-Oakland Park represent a consensus of park users and staff.

The construction of the four pickleball courts will be contracted. The contract will include concrete installation, fencing installation and court surfacing and line painting. The pickleball courts will require 8' chainlink fencing behind each baseline of the courts and 4' chainlink fencing along each sideline. The court finishing and line painting will utilize the same acrylic court surfacing materials that were used on the tennis courts at Cosmo-Bethel Park and Albert-Oakland Park last summer. The project will be bid through the City's Purchasing Department. Construction is scheduled to begin in winter 2014 with an anticipated completion date of summer 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total project cost is estimated at \$80,000 and is funded by the 2010 Parks Sales Tax. The Department currently maintains the sand volleyball courts at the proposed site and the removal of two of the courts will reduce maintenance costs associated with raking and conditioning the sand. Staff anticipates minimal costs associated with the maintenance of the pickleball courts.

VISION IMPACT:

http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/Council/Meetings/visionimpact.php

12.1 Goal: A variety of attractive, well-maintained parks throughout Columbia-including neighborhood parks, regional parks, nature parks, and urban parks-will ensure all residents have access to a full range of outdoor and indoor recreational opportunities.

12.2 Goal: Columbia's recreational needs and desires will be met through effective public and private partnerships that provide outstanding, exciting, and diverse recreational facilities such as, but not limited to, an ice skating rink, golf courses, tennis courts, soccer fields, ball fields, ball parks, and swimming pools. These facilities will be placed appropriately throughout the city to allow easy access for everyone.

Implementation task #40: Fund and complete capital improvement program projects (parks).

SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Approve the legislation setting a public hearing for the proposed project. Following the public hearing, approve the ordinance authorizing the project to proceed and transferring the funds.

FISCAL and VISION NOTES:					
City Fiscal Impact Enter all that apply		Program Impact		Mandates	
City's current net FY cost	\$80,000.00	New Program/ Agency?	No	Federal or State mandated?	No
Amount of funds already appropriated	\$50,000.00	Duplicates/Epands an existing program?	No	Vision Implementation impact	
Amount of budget amendment needed	\$30,000.00	Fiscal Impact on any local political subdivision?	No	Enter all that apply: Refer to Web site	
Estimated 2 year net costs:		Resources Required		Vision Impact?	Yes
One Time	\$80,000.00	Requires add'l FTE Personnel?	No	Primary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	12.1
Operating/ Ongoing	\$0.00	Requires add'I facilities?	No	Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	12.2
		Requires add'l capital equipment?	No	Fiscal year implementation Task #	40