



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contingency transfer for the development of the property on Lexington Ave., in the Heritage District, for a neighborhood park in an amount not to exceed \$18,000 from General Fund, Non-Departmental, Contingency (10010000-99000) to General Fund, Parks Maintenance, Improvements Other Than Buildings (10033132-67730-33014). Discussion and Action.

During a Council work session on June 19, 2012, Council heard a presentation on developing the property on Lexington Ave. into a neighborhood park. Council instructed staff to conduct further public outreach, add an accessible path to the turf area and finalize a budget.

Staff conducted outreach by taking the possible park concept to the Park, Recreation & Library (PRL) Committee as well as the Heritage District Committee. The PRL Committee was very happy with the proposed park and voted to move forward. The Heritage District Committee felt that a park was needed on this site and liked the overall design of the park. They felt that there needed to be access down to the turf, more trees, one more bench and that the play feature was not needed. They also wanted to get the community involved in the project.

The proposed improvements for a neighborhood park would be to install turf at the bottom of the retention area only, add soil amendments, add rock to the slopes of the retention area and the perimeter, install an irrigation system, add a decomposed granite path down to the turf and add trees for shade. Rock has been selected for the slopes and perimeter to save on maintenance costs and to prevent erosion as the site will continue to act primarily as a retention basin.

The other amenities that would be added include a trash receptacle, two benches, picnic table, doggie pot and curbing around the perimeter. The total cost of the improvements for the park is estimated at \$12,788. The total cost for all of the other amenities is estimated at \$3,688. The total cost for all of the improvements and amenities is estimated at \$16,476. Currently there is no funding for the improvements or amenities in the current or FY12-13 budget. There is \$8,000 in the current FY12-13 budget for maintenance.

Staff recommends that Council approve a contingency transfer for developing the property on Lexington Ave. into a neighborhood park in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.