

### AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the Council Meeting of September 9, 2014 Action Item for the City Council Meeting of September 16, 2014

**DATE:** August 15, 2014

**TO**: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

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Sale of Parks Process for Notification and Use of Proceeds

### **CAPTION:**

Resolution dedicating the proceeds from the sale of park lands exclusively for the improvement of existing parks; requiring notification to property owners within 500 feet of a park land to be sold; and providing for an effective date.

### **PURPOSE:**

To identify how the monies received from the sale of parks can be used and to establish a public notification process of parks that will be sold subject to the November 2014 election ballot proposition.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The City of Corpus Christi has 207 park properties that are maintained by the Parks and Recreation Department. During the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan process conducted in 2011-2012, the Department's inability to maintain 207 parks was delineated. Additionally, it was recognized that many parks were in close proximity to another park property and thus some duplication of service was occurring. The Master Plan identified 27 parks that should be repurposed. Repurpose was defined as leased, transferred to another government entity or decommissioned and sold. To date nine (9) of the parks to be repurposed have been leased and/or adopted through the Adopt-a-Park program and are maintained by a community organization. Additionally, one will be used in the new Harbor Bridge alignment. Therefore, 17 are proposed for decommissioning as parks in the November 2014 election ballot proposition. Pending the outcome of the November 2014 election ballot proposition, this resolution provides guidance for the public notification process prior to sale of a park and the use of the proceeds from sale of a park.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Do not approve resolution.

### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

none

# **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

Fulfills repurposing recommendation in the City Council approved Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan.

# **EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Non-emergency

# **DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Legal, Finance

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

□ Operating	Revenue	□ Capital	X Not applicable
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Fiscal Year: 2013- 2014	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered /				
Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s): n/a

Comments: none

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

## **LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Resolution