City of Franklin

Legislation Text

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DATE:	October 19, 2016
TO:	Franklin Municipal Planning Commission
FROM:	Jim Svoboda, Principal Planner
	Emily Hunter, Director of Planning and Sustainability
	Lisa Clayton, Parks Director
	Paul Holzen, Engineering Director

SUBJECT: Consideration of Resolution 2016-59, To Be Entitled, "A Resolution Adopting and Updating the Bicentennial Park Master Plan" (8-25-2016 CIC 3-1; 09-27-16 WS, 10-11-16 BOMA 8-0). (CONSENT AGENDA)

Background

The Board of Mayor and Alderman (BOMA) approved Resolution 2016-59, adopting and updating the Bicentennial Park Master Plan, at its meeting on October 11, 2016. The Planning Commission is required by T.C.A. §13-4-104 to review plans for public streets, parks, buildings, utilities, and other public spaces and provide a recommendation to the BOMA. Resolution 2016-59 that was unanimously by approved by BOMA simply updates the conceptual Master Plan for Bicentennial Park in order for certain elements of the Plan to be able proceed forward in the planning, funding, and design process. Once detailed plans and specifications have been developed, they will be presented to the Planning Commission for additional input and a recommendation to BOMA.

Recommendation

Recommend concurrence/approval of Resolution 2016-59 to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

10/11/16 - BOMA STAFF REPORT

DATE:	September 6, 2016
TO:	Board of Mayor and Aldermen
FROM:	Eric Stuckey, City Administrator
	Vernon Gerth, ACA Community and Economic Development
	Lisa Clayton, Parks Director
	Paul Holzen, Engineering Director

SUBJECT:
Consideration of Resolution 2016-59, A Resolution Adopting and Updating the Bicentennial Park Master Plan
(8-25-2016 CIC 3-1; 09-27-16 WS; 10-11-16 BOMA 8-0)

Purpose
The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA)
concerning the rendered schematic design site plan and timeline for the property known as Bicentennial Park.

Background
In February of 2006, the City commissioned Kennon/Taylor Architects to develop a concept plan design for the
former Georgia Boot Factory site. The concept plan was approved by the Board of Mayor and Alderman with
passive park elements throughout the site. However, after the 2010 flood of Franklin, the existing concept
plans and elements were *not* applicable due to the severity of the flooding. In the years since the flood, the
City worked to construct a river walk along the Harpeth River and some portions under construction currently,
all through matching grants from State and Federal funding mechanisms. The already completed Third
Avenue North Extension provides much needed parking, streetscape features and connectivity.

In 2015 and 2016, the City contracted with Barge, Waggoner, Sumner and Cannon (BWSC) consultants to
develop a full schematic design to assist the City with federal, state and local regulations due to this property
being a known junkyard, industrial business and floodway. There were unknown environmental concerns
throughout the property. BWSC performed an extensive environmental assessment in combination with
updating the schematic design. Improvements included the existing pavilion structure (facility), modeling for
no-rise certification, site utilities, future parking options and landscaping architectural services. The City is
currently coordinating with the Harpeth Square development to jointly accomplish the stormwater
requirements for the development to be contained on the property.

Financial Impact
The City of Franklin has previously funded professional services agreements with BWSC for the environmental
assessment ($126,050) and schematic design ($149,500), totaling $275,550. Funding of specific
improvements related to Bicentennial Park would be considered as a part of the ongoing 2017-26 Capital
Investment Plan.

Recommendation
Staff recommends approval of Resolution 2016-59.