



CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS

Legislation Text

File #: 17-033, **Version:** 1

Consider/Discuss/Act on Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Accept the Donation of Lots 1 and 3, Block A, of the Greens of McKinney, Approximately 93 Acres

COUNCIL GOAL: Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney

MEETING DATE: January 12, 2017

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

CONTACT: Rhoda L. Savage, Director of Parks and Recreation
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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

- Recommend that Council accept the parkland donation.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- The Greens of McKinney is a former 18-hole golf course located generally between Eldorado Parkway and Stewart Road and along the south side of Wilson Creek.
- The property is no longer in operation as a golf course and remains in a natural state.
- The owner of the property, McKinney Fairways, is offering to donate approximately 93 acres of former golf course to the City to be used as parkland, as the majority of it is floodplain. The owner is also working with a development company on redeveloping the remaining southern portion south of Stewart Road for residential uses.
- On October 13, 2016, staff attended a neighborhood meeting with the residents from the adjacent neighborhoods to discuss with them the potential donation as parkland. There were approximately 65 people in attendance with overwhelming support expressed.
- Procedurally, if the Council authorizes the acceptance of the donation, it will be considered for future funding during the City's budget process as there are no funds currently allocated to develop this parcel. Once funded, it would go through the typical development process of design (including public input meetings) and construction.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The property is adjacent to the Wilson Creek corridor which is the primary greenbelt spine that runs throughout the City and where much of our parkland acquisition has occurred.
- Acquisition of this property as parkland further enhances the system of signature community parks that have been established along Wilson Creek such as Bonnie Wenk Park and Towne Lake Park.

- There is also a master planned hike and bike trail that runs along Wilson Creek in the general vicinity of this property.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- This is a donation and no funds will be expended on the acquisition of the land other than typical closing costs.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Staff recommends approval of this land donation, and requests the PROS Board recommend the donation be approved by the City Council.