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TITLE: Consider and Discuss Potential Improvements to Gray Branch Park

COUNCIL GOAL: Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney

(5A: Create affordable recreational and cultural arts activities for all ages throughout the city)

(5B: Develop Parks strategy to preserve green space for future park land)

(5C: Continue to market and highlight McKinney as a unique destination for residents and visitors alike)

(5E: Develop sustainable quality of life improvements within the City of McKinney)

(5F: Maximize partnerships between the City of McKinney and private industry)

MEETING DATE: September 9, 2021

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

CONTACT: Michael Kowski, Director of Parks and Recreation

RECOMMENDED PARK BOARD ACTION:

- Consider and discuss Gray Branch Park.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- Gray Branch park property consists of 250 acres of undeveloped parkland.
- There are two dilapidated houses on the property as well as a large barn structure that is not being used.
- A master plan (approved in 2012) is in place for a portion of the property (additional land was acquired subsequent to the master plan being finalized).

- This agenda item will allow for discussion on both short-term and long-term improvements to the property.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The original 150 acres was purchased in 2009.
- Approximately 46 acres north of Wilson Creek was purchased in 2013.
- Approximately 60 acres west of Gray Branch Road was purchased in 2016.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS: