




Unauthorized Items

1. Authorize ROW Acquisition for Hike & Bike Trail Extension (Draft #17-03, 17-06)



Jim Bowling has requested Council's authorization to purchase a permanent easement and temporary right of way for the Portage Hike and Bike Trail SR59 segment that is planned to begin construction in 2017. This approved capital project will provide an off-street connection from the end of the Esplanade down to Franklin Avenue along SR59. From Franklin, the Hike and Bike Trail will use an on-street connection leading to the trailhead at Tannery Park on Stow Street. To complete this planned connection, the City has reached terms with Walgreens and the Walgreens property land owner to secure the right of way necessary to build the trail along the edge of their property on SR59. (attachments)


Administration Recommendation

Walgreens has agreed to donate their portion of the necessary right of way (valued at \$4,450) and the underlying land owner has agreed to the fair market value price of \$20,000 for the remaining portion of land required for the project. The project is approved in the City Capital Plan and is funded by Kent Parks and Recreation and a \$700,000 AMATS grant. ODOT has requested the City's authorization by the end of this month and I recommend Council's support.

Council Actions

Authorize the right of way donation and acquisition for the Hike and Bike Trail extension on SR59.

2. Accept a Donation for Parks and Recreation (Draft No. 17-04)



John Idone is requesting Council's authorization to accept a donation from the Henry V. and Frances W. Christenson Foundation in the amount of \$1,500 for beautification of Kent parks. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

I recommend for Council's authorization to accept the donation.

Council Action

Authorize the acceptance of the \$1,500 donation to Kent Parks and Recreation from the Henry V. and Frances W. Christenson Foundation.

Information Items

1. Health Department Statistics

Jeff Neistadt has provided a copy of the statistical report for December 2016. Health Department revenues are up 9% (\$45,927) and permits are up 8% (42 permits) in 2016 from 2015. (attachment)

2. Fire Incident Report

Chief Tosko has provided a copy of the fire and emergency medical services report for November 2016. In 2016 calls for fire service are up 3% (25 calls); fire mutual aid assistance is up 3 events in 2016; and EMS responses are up 4% (105 calls). (attachment)

Information Items (continued)

3. Sanitary Sewer Laterals

At Council's request, Jim Bowling has provided information regarding possible insurance protection options for the replacement of sanitary sewer laterals. Dominion Products and Services, Inc. and First Energy Corp. provide residential homeowners with limited coverage repair or protection plans. (attachment)

4. Citizen Action Center Summary Report

Suzanne Stemnock has completed the year-end summary report for questions and requests submitted by residents through the online Citizen Action Center that I have included for your information. (attachment)

5. Monthly Permit and Zoning Reports

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the monthly zoning and permit violations report for December 2016. Permit revenues were \$22,445 for December with the most permits being issued for residential HVAC (22 permits). There were 20 code enforcement items in December. (attachment)