

Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Budget Amendment for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park Capital Project Ordinance **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board of Aldermen to consider a budget amendment to provide additional funds for construction of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park **DEPARTMENT:** Recreation and Parks and Finance

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INFORMATION: The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Park Construction Budget did not have sufficient contingency funds to cover costs of unforeseen site conditions. Recently unforeseen site issues involving utility construction, grading, and paving installation have arisen. For bidding purposes, various tests are completed to gather information used by the contractor to estimate the costs of a project. Pre-construction, borings (holes drilled by the geotechnical engineer) were performed at all proposed site structures with the exception of the garden structure. Additionally, hand augers (holes made by a hand tool) were performed at the stormwater ponds and parking area.

However, shallow bedrock and elevated groundwater adjacent to shelter post foundations have led to needed revisions of post design and install depth. The proposed sewer line serving the restroom structure required redesign due to shallow rock to avoid additional rock excavation costs. The elevated water table in the proposed parking lot has created an unstable soil condition that has raised the likely possibility of undercut and replacement of on-site soils with imported material in portions of the paved area which could become a substantial additional cost to the project.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: An amount of \$200,000 is appropriated from the Sidewalk Bond Fund to the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Park Capital Project. There is no staff impact associated with this request.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Aldermen consider Attachment A and appropriate additional funds for the construction of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park.