

Request for Decision



To: Committee of the Whole
From: **Manager of Engineering and Development**
Date: October 16, 2017
Subject: Establishment and in-kind support of a disc golf course
Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to consider the establishment and in-kind support of a disc golf course at 2699 68th Ave and a funding and stewardship agreement with RDKB Area 'D' / Rural Grand Forks at the October 30, 2017 Regular Meeting.**

Background

The Grand Forks Disc Sports Club has expressed interest in developing a 9-hole disc golf course on a City-owned property immediately adjacent to the Rotary bonfire pit and to the west of Angus MacDonald Park. The property is currently zoned for community use and is a mixture of grass meadows with mainly pine trees scattered throughout. The Club proposes to develop the course with financial support from RDKB Area 'D' / Rural Grand Forks, in-kind and financial support from the City, and extensive in-kind support from the Club for course development and maintenance.

The physical works of the course are limited and are very low impact on the property:

- Brush clearing along disc fly ways
- Installation of welcome kiosk and course map
- Installation of 9 tee signs and tee pads and baskets
- Garbage and recycling station(s)

Staff reviewed the site for suitability both within a planning context and with a site visit. Both reviews indicated that the low impact nature of disc golf fit with the physical and planning goals for the parcel. The course will not have any user fees and remains compatible with existing uses like dog walking or passive enjoyment of nature. There will be no impact on the once a year bonfire nor any impact on the existing baseball diamond.

Benefits or Impacts

General

Public Works does not anticipate a significant increase in maintenance with the main piece being the emptying of additional garbage and recycling receptacles.

Strategic Impact

- ☑ Demonstrates the strategic project of integrated recreation planning between Grand Forks and electoral area(s).

- Works towards the strategic priority of continuing investment in arts, culture, sport and heritage.

Attachments

Map of property.

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Options

1. RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole accepts the report.
2. RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole does not accept the report.
3. RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole refers the matter back to staff for further information.