

## **Public Services Committee Meeting** Meeting Date: November 28, 2023 Motion to approve the concept plan for Dyess Park **Department:** Parks and Recreation Department **Presenter:** Maurice McDowell Motion to approve the Concept Plan for Dyess Park, to continue with the **Caption:** preliminary and final design process, and to prepare for the demolition of the existing defunct community center. **Background:** Dyess Park is an approved SPLOST 8 Park Improvements Project. This project consists of adding two (2) basketball courts, six (6) pickleball courts, one (1) a new walking trail, a picnic pavilion with restrooms, an outdoor fitness area, a new parking lot, a community center, a splash pad, a picnic shelter, and a new bandstand. Preparation of the demolition is necessary to start construction once the final design is approved. On December 8, 2020, Augusta Commission adopted and approved SPLOST **Analysis:** 8 projects, and Dyess Park was part of this list. Construction is scheduled to commence the second quarter of 2024, if the concept plan is approved. The timeline for construction is 9 to 12 months. This agenda item is only for the approval of the concept plan – with no **Financial Impact:** financial impact. However, adequate funds have been budgeted and will be available through SPLOST 8 for design and construction. **Alternatives:** 1. To approve 2. To move to no action **Recommendation:** 1. To approve Funds are available in N/A the following accounts: **REVIEWED** AND N/A **APPROVED BY:**