

TO: Mayor and City Council of the City of Dacula
FROM: Brittni Nix, Director of Planning & Economic Development
DATE: March 22, 2022
SUBJECT: Maple Creek Park improvement proposal

The Mayor and City Council have previously reviewed and discussed the concept plan for the Maple Creek Park improvements. The plans include a new shaded playground for school-aged children, shaded toddler playground, shaded swing set, fitness station, and benches. GameTime Play DRP estimated the equipment cost at \$389,794.45 in October 2021. The estimate could change based on market conditions.

To move forward with the project, staff requested a proposal from McFarland Dyer & Associates (MDA), a Bowen Company, to bid the project. The provided proposal includes creating construction documents, bid management, and construction administration for \$24,000.

Staff researched available funding options and determined the subject project does not qualify for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds due to the specificity of the project design. However, the project is eligible for the beautification, parks and recreation endowment fund donated by the Wilbanks Estate in 2019.

Staff requests approving MDA's proposal in the amount of \$24,000 for the services provided in the proposal and utilizing the City's beautification, parks and recreation endowment fund for the Maple Creek Park improvements.

Best Regards,

Brittni Nix, Director of Planning & Economic Development