

# Agenda Abstract BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: Aug. 8, 2022

Department: Public Space and Sustainability

Agenda Section: Consent

Public hearing: No
Date of public hearing: N/A

## PRESENTER/INFORMATION CONTACT

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#### **ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED**

Subject: Resolution exempting design work for the skate spot at Cates Creek Park from the Mini-Brooks Act

requirements for qualification-based selection

#### Attachments:

Resolution

### **Summary:**

In planning for a future skate spot at Cates Creek Park, located at 1445 Cates Creek Parkway, design services are needed to determine necessary and preferred features of the park, to develop construction documents, and to develop cost estimates for construction. The design elements will be determined by engagement with the public and future park users. The park will be cast-in-place concrete and designed by a team with significant experience in design and construction of concrete parks at a similar scale. This work qualifies as "design services" under North Carolina General Statutes. Design services for this work will not exceed \$20,000, as budgeted. This clearly meets the \$50,000 exemption threshold.

The Parks and Recreation Board prioritized the design and construction of a skate spot at Cates Creek Park after many years of community input and voiced desire for a skate park. Cates Creek Park is a town-owned and maintained park that has sufficient land available for a skate park. The park is readily accessible and has existing amenities such as parking and bathrooms available. Cates Creek Park scored very high in a ranking exercise conducted by the Parks and Recreation Board based on criteria needed for siting a skate park. The skate spot is anticipated to be 5,000 square feet and include sitting and gathering areas. The design will address all permitting requirements and include cost estimates for construction. The design team will meet with town staff and community members to develop ideas and the design program. Design is expected to be completed by the end of the fiscal year.

#### **Financial impacts:**

Funds for design services were included in the FY23 budget.

#### Staff recommendation and comments:

Approve the exemption.

## **Action requested:**

Adopt resolution exempting design work for the future skate spot at Cates Creek Park from NCGS 143-64.31.