



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Mike Peacock, City Manager

**DATE:** September 7, 2023

**SUBJECT:** **Parkland Dedication**

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The proposed section of land intended to be for a park in Joshua Meadows is almost completely reserved as a water detention pond. The area that could be used as a park is minimal and would only create more work on the part of the city to maintain the detention pond.

The property has also been offered to the Joshua Meadows HOA, who has indicated that they have no interest in obtaining the property, citing the same reasons.

There is a possibility to have additional land available in the final phase, and I am in discussions with Scott Sandlin currently on that property.

The detention pond in place and nearing completion, has been the subject of multiple complaints from residents outside the city, who have had flooding issues on their property from water flowing from the detention pond. Staff has been working with the City Engineer, the developers Engineer, and the property owners, in hopes of finding a solution. I am reluctant to take ownership of this property given the problems it has created and the possibility of future problems.

The city is under no legal obligation to accept the property as parkland, and I would recommend that we continue to work with Mr. Sandlin on the piece of property in the final phase for use as a park.