

CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 02/06/2025

REQUESTER: Bethany Grissom, Park Planner

PRESENTER: Allyson Rink, Project Applicant

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR

POSTPONEMENT OF THE REQUEST FROM ALLYSON RINK TO INSTALL A

"LITTLE LIBRARY" IN CHERRY CREEK PARK

BACKGROUND:

The Parks and Recreation Department adopted the Project in the Park application process in 2023 on the recommendation of the Park Board of Commissioners. Residents and community groups can propose and execute small projects within our parks that align with departmental goals through this process.

DISCUSSION:

Allyson Rink approached the Parks and Recreation Department with a project proposal to install a "Little Library" in November 2024. This installation would consist of a wooden box with an operable door on a wooden post installed in the ground with a metal bracket. The purpose of this installation is to provide a location for people to exchange books freely. "Little Library" locations exist in other parks, including Rotary Park, Oakhurst Park, Lions Park, and Ruby Grant Park. Staff will assist with determining the park's exact location for placement and installation to ensure it meets departmental standards.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Park Board of Commissioners recommend that the Director of Parks and Recreation approve the "Little Library" Project in Cherry Creek Park.