CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER DATA SHEET

Item: Restroom Building in North Park for the Baseball and Softball Fields

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Meeting Date: Public Works Committee on 02-20-2025

Background: Public Works received correspondence from Richland Center Youth Baseball/Softball (RCYBS) and the Parks and Recreation Department regarding a request for restrooms in North Park. The DPW has been working closely with the Parks & Recreation Director to determine viability of the project.

After conducting research regarding floodplain concerns it has been determined that moving forward with restrooms <u>may</u> be possible but a substantial investment in engineering would be needed to provide elevation data. The elevation data is then used to determine potential building locations in the floodplain. If a building location can be identified it will require fill to be brought in to create an elevated building site that meets DNR requirements.

Other considerations include:

- The restrooms are used for approximately 6 months out of the year.
- The standard of routine and long-term maintenance that would be required for a permanent structure would be substantial and the current staffing levels are not able to hand the additional work.
- Other permanent restrooms that the city currently has are difficult to maintain at good sanitary levels, have been subject to vandalism, are plagued by deferred maintenance, or are at the end of their usable life. This creates budget concerns.

Department Recommendation: Given the difficulties of building in a floodplain, coupled with staff capacity concerns, the seasonal demand for restrooms, and long-term budget constraints, the recommendation is to continue using portable toilets.

Attachments: North Park Floodplain Map 2025





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