



AGENDA ITEM MEMORANDUM

DATE: 10/27/2025

TO: Public Works Committee

FROM: Joe Kerlin, Superintendent of Parks

SUBJECT: Resolution 115-25-26 – A Resolution accepting a donation from The Optimist Club of Sheboygan to support the installation of new playground equipment and sidewalk border at Optimist Park and authorizing the Finance Director to amend the 2025 budget for associated expenses.

ISSUE

Should the Public Works Committee recommend approval of authorizing the appropriate City officials to accept a donation from The Optimist Club of Sheboygan, to support the installation of the new playground equipment and sidewalk border at Optimist Park and authorizing the Finance Director to amend the 2025 budget for associated expenses.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of accepting the donation. The Optimist Club of Sheboygan has a long-standing relationship with the City in caring for and donating towards the improvements of Optimist Park.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The Optimist Club of Sheboygan approached the Department of Public Works in 2023 and stated they would donate \$25,000 to the improvement of the playground in Optimist Park if the City would budget \$25,000 towards improvement. The budget was approved in 2024 with The Optimist Club and the Parks Department working together on a design for the added play equipment. The design went out for bid late in 2024. Due to the area needing to be leveled, it took more time than expected to prepare the area. The play equipment is in and provides great additions to Optimist Park and the south side of the City.

FUNDING IMPACT

INCREASE:

Capital Fund – Contributions/Donations (Acct. No. 400-485000)	\$25,000.00
Capital Fund – Recreation – Improvements Other than Buildings (Acct. No. 400500-641100)	\$25,000.00

IF APPROVED, NEXT STEPS:

Project has been completed.

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