

# STAFF REPORT



**SUBJECT:** Parks Maintenance Building

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Leisure Services

**STAFF CONTACT:** Allen Barnes

## RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends the Committee choose either option A or option B Below.

## BACKGROUND:

Due to a fire in the current Parks Maintenance Building, a new building was approved by the City Council. In locating the building, several locations were examined. Most of the park is considered flood way so no building may be built there. There is also 100 and 500-year flood plains. There are elevation issues with much of the 100-year flood plain and insufficient room in the 500-year flood plain. The building was sited in an area that was not in a flood plain. The location of the building is approximately 250 feet from the south entrance of the park.

As the slab was poured for the building, Staff began to receive inquiries about it and a request to stop construction and find an alternate place for the building. The best alternate location is just to the west side of Splashville. There is a small area of elevation with only a one foot to 18 inch elevation change. This area would require the least amount of dirt work.

It is my understanding that the parties who object to the placement is not necessarily the building but the equipment yard. The colors anticipated to be used on the building will mirror the colors at Splashville as closely as possible.

## FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:

Should Option B be selected, there would be a \$30,000 to \$40,000 increase in the building budget. This would cover the cost of the slab and the cost of the erection of the building, which was left out of the original estimate.

## ALTERNATIVES

Option A—Leave the building where it is. Eliminate the fenced equipment yard. The Parks workers would store the equipment to maintain the parks in the building and would store large equipment, trailers, and trucks at the MSC.

Option B—Move the building to the west of Splashville and allow the equipment yard to be built so that all the Parks equipment can be stored in one place.

Option C-- Move the building to the west of Splashville and not include the equipment yard. The Parks workers would store the equipment to maintain the parks in the building and would store large equipment, trailers, and trucks at the MSC.