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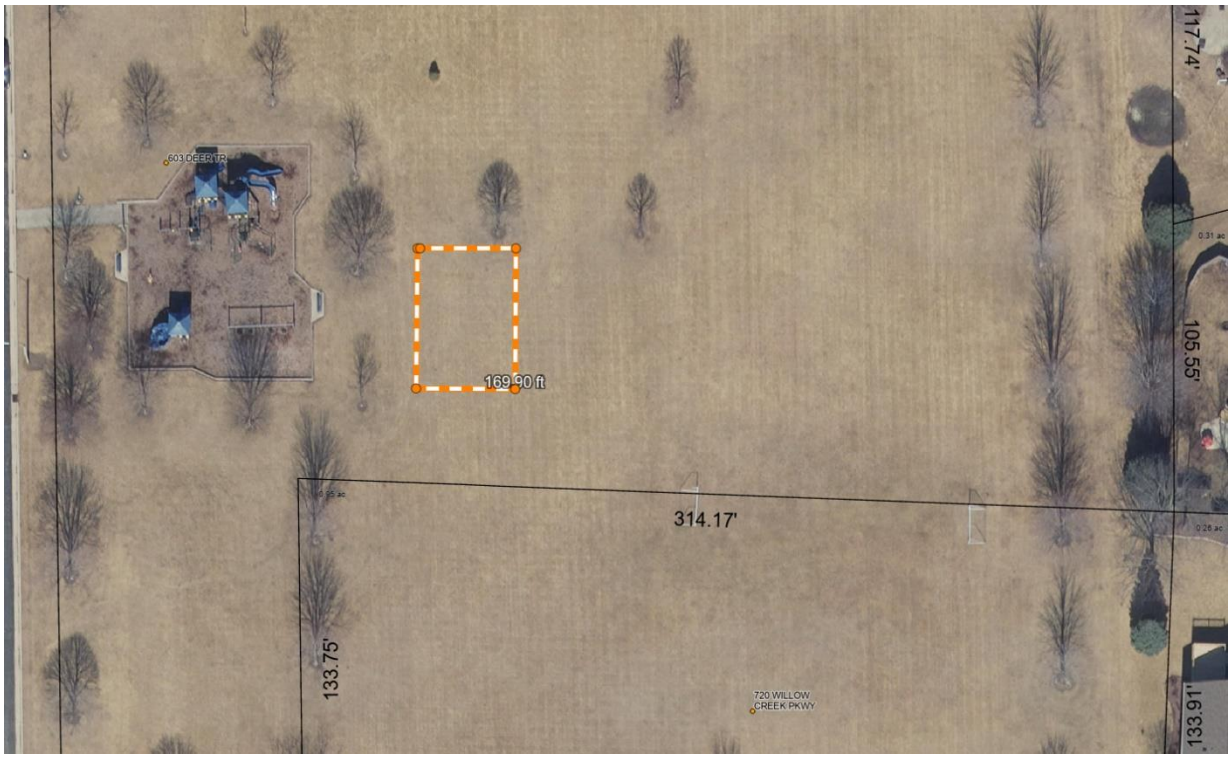
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Memo

To: Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission
From: Ryan Schmidt, Director
Date: November 16, 2026
Subject: Proposed Half Basketball Court at Deer Trail Park

The Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department is seeking approval to proceed to Site Plan Review for the proposed installation of a half basketball court at Deer Trail Park. The proposed basketball court would provide a new recreational amenity at Deer Trail Park and make better use of the available park space. This improvement was requested by an Alder and fits within the goals of the 2025 Park and Open Space Plan. The proposed court would occupy an area of approximately 35’ by 50’ (1,750 square feet).

The approximate location and size of the proposed half basketball court are shown in the image below. The estimated project cost is $25,000 if fully completed by contractors including site preparation, court surfacing, basketball hoop and backboard purchase and installation, pavement markings, and other project costs. There would be significant cost savings if City Staff were to do some portion of the work. The Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission is asked to review the proposed concept, location, and estimated cost for consideration as a potential improvement to Deer Trail Park. If fully approved targeted installation is during the 2027 calendar year.


603 DEER TR
169.90 ft
314.17'
133.75'
720 WILLOW CREEK PKWY
117.74'
105.55'
133.91'
0.31 ac
0.26 ac