

Resolution

Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Charlottesville and Bennett's Village for an All-Abilities Playground Project at Pen Park

WHEREAS, the City's Parks and Recreation Department staff have engaged in discussions with representatives of Bennett's Village, a nonprofit community organization, to establish an All-Abilities Playground in Charlottesville Virginia, and

WHEREAS, after several years of discussions, it has been determined that an opportunity exists to host such a facility within the City's park system at Pen Park, and

WHEREAS, representatives from Bennett's Village presented their proposal to the City Council on March 18th, 2019, resulting in the adoption of a resolution on April 1st, 2019, establishing a partnership between the City and Bennett's Village, and

WHEREAS, in November 2019, a memorandum of agreement was entered into between the City and Bennett's Village, which was further amended in September 2021, and

WHEREAS, upon review, it has been determined that the current memorandum of agreement requires revision to meet current standards and provide access to additional grant opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department strongly recommends this project which will enhance recreational opportunities at Pen Park for children of all abilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby approves the attached Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Charlottesville and Bennett's Village for the All-Abilities Playground Project at Pen Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the City in a form approved by the City Attorney, and to take all necessary actions to implement the terms and conditions therein.

Approved as to form:

Jacob P. Stroman

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City Attorney