



WILDWOOD

January 13, 2020

The Honorable City Council
City of Wildwood, Missouri
16860 Main Street
Wildwood, Missouri 63040

Re: **Completion of the Al Foster Memorial Trailhead Overflow Parking Area (Ward Six)**

Council Members:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION >>>

The issue of parking, at and within the area of the Al Foster Memorial Trailhead, and Glencoe, in general, has been discussed many times over the years, given the City has completed a number of park facilities within this community in that same timeframe. In 2003, the original Al Foster Memorial Trailhead was opened for public use, followed by its complete reconstruction and expansion in 2017. Glencoe City Park was opened in 2009, and the Wabash-Frisco Pacific Railroad has operated in this area since the 1970's. In the early 2000's parking was not an issue, however, as the popularity of the trail system has increased, so has the need for parking.

Recognizing the need for additional parking, the City Council, following a competitive bidding process, entered into a contract with Byrne & Jones in August 2019 for the construction of a new parking lot. The new parking area would be an asphalt finish, with thirty-nine (39) striped spaces, two (2) of which would be handicapped accessible. The cost of the parking lot project was to be one hundred one thousand ninety dollars (\$101,090.00) and the work was to be completed by the end of 2019.

With several days of favorable weather late in the year, the contractor was able to complete the project, including the striping of the spaces. The project was completed on-budget and on-time. Photographs below show the new parking lot:



View of new parking lot looking west




View of new parking lot, from Third Street, looking east

The Department, users of facilities in the Glencoe Area, and residents in the vicinity, are all appreciative of the City Council's support of this needed improvement. The need for the parking lot was immediately proven during the warm weather over the week of Christmas, when both Al Foster Memorial Trailhead parking lots were full!

If any of the City Council Members should have questions or comments before tonight's meeting about this information, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440. The Department of Planning will be available at the City Council meeting to respond to any questions or comments in this regard. Thank you for your review of this information.

Respectfully submitted,
CITY OF WILDWOOD



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