



WILDWOOD

April 19, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Planning and Parks Committee Members

From: Department of Planning and Parks

Re: **Review of Main Street Changes for Access to Village Green Area (Ward Eight)**

Cc: The Honorable James R. Bowlin, Mayor
Steve Cross, City Administrator
John A. Young, City Attorney
Rick Brown, P.E. and P.T.O.E., Director of Public Works
Melanie Rippetoe, Assistant Director of Planning and Parks
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BACKGROUND >>> The Wildwood Celebration Commission decided several months ago to integrate into this year's Celebrate Wildwood Event a part of the Village Green site for use, given the loss of the location that has been the home of this annual activity for several years. This decision was logical, given the series of options that were reviewed in this regard led to none of them being as acceptable as Main Street in front of City Hall and the Village Green area abutting it. With that decision, a number of steps must be undertaken to ensure this area is visible and accessible for all parties attending this single day event. The Commission Members agree that certain changes at the end of Main Street are needed and certainly could also make this location better for its future use.

The Department has been working with a designer to address this matter and a concept has been developed for these purposes, which is attached to this Memorandum. This concept is intended to provide accessible access and visibility to the Village Green Area, when all components of the event are set up on Main Street. To accomplish this concept, certain vegetation must be removed, primarily invasive types, at the end of the street, while providing a hard surface walkway, which will be ADA-accessible (a one (1) to twelve (12) grade), to allow ingress and egress to the upper portion of the lot abutting Main Street, where the events and activities are planned. Along with these improvements, the concept indicates placing picnic tables in some of the shaded areas of this lot, to allow parents, children, and others to have a place to enjoy the event as well.

The Commission Members heard the Department's presentation on this plan and agreed with the concept. This agreement of the Commission Members with this concept was based on the obvious need

to have a space for many of the amenities associated with this event, while also improving the aesthetics at this location. The vote by the Wildwood Celebration Commission was unanimous in this regard.

REQUESTED ACTION >>> Given the support of the Wildwood Celebration Commission in making these improvements for the benefit of the event, the Department is requesting from the Planning and Parks Committee support this concept as well. Therefore, at tonight's meeting, the Department is requesting a favorable vote on the concept, as represented on the plan, which will allow its presentation to the City Council for its consideration as well. Certainly, if any of the Committee Members have any comments or suggestions regarding this concept, they can be provided as part of this discussion and incorporated therein, before presentation to the City Council for final action.

CONTACT INFORMATION >>> If any of the Committee Members have questions or comments regarding this process, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning at (636) 458-0440. A presentation on this matter is planned at tonight's meeting. Thank you for your review of this information and action upon it, as requested.



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