

MEMORANDUM

TO: Park Advisory Commission

FROM: Colin Smith, Parks & Recreation Services Manager

DATE: June 20, 2017

SUBJECT: Resolution to Recommend the Parks Operating Budget Cover FY2017 Operating Expenses at the Ann Arbor Skatepark.

Attached for your review and action is a resolution to recommend the City Parks Operating Budget cover FY2017 operating expenses at the Ann Arbor Skatepark. The agreement between the Friends of the Ann Arbor Skatepark (Friends) and the City of Ann Arbor (City) for the Management and Operation of the Ann Arbor Skatepark includes a section that deals with the annual operational maintenance expenses. It is the responsibility of the Friends to pay all costs for the operation and maintenance of the Skatepark for the duration of the agreement; however the City may decide to contribute following a funding review process.

Work orders for FY 2017 to date for the Skatepark total approximately \$27,118.00. Expenses are related to rain garden maintenance, port-a-potty rentals, grouting and cement repairs, and landscaping work. Staff recommends that the City cover these expenses as it is able to be absorbed within the overall annual parks operating budget for FY2017 without neglecting other identified needs.

The Friends have approximately \$104,000.00 in the skatepark maintenance endowment fund for future maintenance needs and repairs. Staff believes it to be prudent to cover costs for this current fiscal year as it can be absorbed without negatively impacting other needs, thereby allowing the endowment fund to further grow and be available for future needs.

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND THE PARKS OPERATING BUDGET COVER FY2017
OPERATING EXPENSES AT THE ANN ARBOR SKATEPARK

Whereas, The agreement between the Friends of the Ann Arbor Skatepark (Friends) and the City of Ann Arbor (City) states the funding of the operation and maintenance of the Ann Arbor Skatepark is the responsibility of the Friends;

Whereas, The agreement provides a provision whereby the City can contribute to the cost of annual maintenance and operation as part of a funding review process;

Whereas, In FY2017, as of June 10th 2017 approximately \$27,118.00 in operational costs have been expended at the Skatepark and the City parks overall operating budget is able to absorb these expenses without neglecting other budgeted park needs;

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend that the parks operating budget cover FY2017 operating expenses at the Ann Arbor Skatepark.