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Memorandum 19-023

TO: MAYOR CASTNER AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PARKS, ART, RECREATION AND CULTURE ADVISORY COMMISSION

THRU: RENEE KRAUSE, MMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

DATE: JANUARY 21, 2019

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE DONATION OF A PARK BENCH

The Commission discussed and reviewed the application for a donation of a wooden park bench in an amount not to exceed \$500 and that the applicant had a preference to source the construction locally of said bench.

The Commission approved Commissioner Sharp's suggestion of having the park bench constructed by students and requested staff to contact the applicant.

The Applicant was receptive to the idea and will be working with Commissioner Sharp to have the bench constructed by the 6th grade students at West Homer Elementary.

Following is the excerpt of the minutes regarding the discussion and recommendation.

Recommendation

Approve the recommendation to accept the donation of a wooden park bench in memory of Johnnie and Annie Flood and placed in a location at the discretion of Parks Maintenance Coordinator.

Excerpt of the January 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

NEW BUSINESS

C. Approval and Recommendation to Accept the Donation of a Park Bench

Chair Harrald read the title into the record and reviewed the staff memorandum included in the packet.

Commissioner Salzmann departed the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

There was a brief discussion on the construction of the bench and if there was so much process needed to accept a park bench.

ASHMUN/LEWIS MOVE TO RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL ACCEPT THE DONATION OF A PARK BENCH AND OR THE FUNDS TO PURCHASE A WOODEN SLAT BENCH OR SIMILAR CONSTRUCTION NOT TO EXCEED \$500 IN MEMORY OF JOHNNIE AND ANNIE FLOOD AND PLACE IN A PARK OR DESIRED LOCATION AT THE DISCRETION OF PARK STAFF.

Chair Harrald commented that she felt really good about this donation and hoped that she could be remembered in such a way one day.

Commissioner Sharp stated that he would be interested in having the kids at school building the bench and they could build "a really sweet bench" for \$500.

Commissioner Fair commented he thought that would be a **really good idea to have Commissioner Sharp's students** build the bench.

VOTE. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

Deputy City Clerk Krause will contact Ms. Evans on the idea and forward Commissioner Sharp's contact information if she is agreeable.¹

¹ Deputy City Clerk Krause contacted Ms. Evans and she was very interested in having the bench constructed by local students and was provided Commissioner Sharp's contact information.