



MAYOR AND COUNCIL

COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2021-06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING GRANT FOR THE DOVER PARK COMMUNITY BUILDING AND ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND

WHEREAS, City parks and open space improve our physical and psychological health, strengthen our communities, and make our cities and neighborhoods more attractive places to live and work. Numerous studies have shown the social, environmental, economic, and health benefits parks bring to a city and its people; and

WHEREAS, Dover Park has served the recreational needs for the east side residents of the city and Kent County, and the wider city for nearly 50 years, providing a place to take a walk in the woods, do an aerobics class, attend YMCA summer youth programs, have a family picnic, play disc golf, tennis, basketball and utilize playground equipment; and

WHEREAS, Dover Park, the oldest of the 25 parks and park areas, as part of a Parks and Recreation Master plan, will be renovated with the addition of a community building that will house educational programming, exercise classes, parks staff and summer camp programs; and

WHEREAS, As part of the major renovation plan for Dover Park, an accessible playground for the park will be built. The accessible playground at Dover Park will: Be ADA accessible; offer play and exploration opportunities of all ages and abilities; keep existing playground, but incorporate with new playground area; have swings, which were the most desirable component from public surveys and public meetings; provide connecting pathways and desirable amenities, such as seating and shade; and have different surface/texture types, which are safe and accessible; and

WHEREAS, The City of Dover is applying for a Community Project Funding Grant for the Dover Park Community Building and Accessible Playground, as this Community Project Funding is made available through the House Committee on Appropriations for community-based projects of genuine need across the United States; and

WHEREAS, The City of Dover Parks and Recreation will provide safe and enjoyable park experiences and ensure that these two amenities planned for Dover Park will contribute to the overall vitality of the City of Dover. The successful completion of these projects will achieve greater availability of outdoor activities, increased community pride and a healthier community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Dover, Delaware, that the City Manager or his designee be authorized to apply for a Community Project Funding Grant for the Dover Park Community Building and Accessible Playground.

ADOPTED: ADOPTED APRIL 12, 2021

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