



## Recommendation for Action

**File #: 22-3318, Agenda Item #: 37.**

**11/15/2022**

### **Posting Language**

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20220817-004) to increase Parks and Recreation Department requirements to add two full-time equivalent positions to administer the amended Parkland Dedication Ordinance.

### **Lead Department**

Parks and Recreation Department.

### **Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is attached.

### **Prior Council Action:**

April 7, 2022 - Council approved resolution No. 20220407-042, which initiated code amendments to the Parkland Dedication Ordinance in City Code Chapter 25- I (General Requirements and Procedures) to require parkland dedication for office, industrial, and commercial developments; and directed the City Manager to place the code amendment on an upcoming Council agenda that provides Council with sufficient time to adopt the ordinance and place the fee into the Fiscal Year 2023 budget; a 10-0 vote with Council Member Harper-Madison off the dais.

August 17, 2022 - Council approved the City of Austin Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (Ordinance No. 20220817-004). Ordinance did not account for additional Full Time Employees required to administer the parkland dedication amendments being considered by City Council.

September 15, 2022 - City Council adopted Ordinance No. 20220915-066 on an 11-0 vote amending City Code Chapter 25-1 to require parkland dedication for new commercial developments and directed the City Manager to come back with action necessary to add two FTEs and update the PARD budget to implement commercial parkland dedication.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

February 25, 2020 - The Parks and Recreation Board passed Recommendation 20200225-B3 to subject commercial developments to parkland dedication requirements.

March 28, 2022 - The Parks and Recreation Board passed Recommendation 20220328-B5 to reaffirm recommendation to subject commercial developments to parkland dedication requirements.

July 25, 2022 - The Parks and Recreation Board passed Recommendation 20220725-8 to recommend to Austin City Council to accept the Commercial Parkland Dedication Ordinance as written.

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August 9, 2022 - Planning Commission's motion to grant staff's recommendation, as amended, was approved on a vote of 8-2. Thompson and Anderson voted nay. Commissioners Praxis, Mushtaler and Schneider absent.

**Additional Backup Information:**

This amendment supports two new positions, a Planner Principal and Planner Senior, to implement the recently amended Parkland Dedication Ordinance. The personnel costs for the two positions are anticipated to be absorbed by PARD in FY 2023.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

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