



MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 25, 2021

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers  
Dave Perrault, City Administrator

**FROM:** Joe Vaughan, Recreation Programmer  
Todd Blomstrom, Public Works Director / City Engineer

**SUBJECT:** Accepting Donation from the Arden Hills Foundation for Park Benches

Budgeted Amount:	Actual Amount:	Funding Source:
N/A	\$2,479.00	Arden Hills Foundation

**Council Should Consider**

The City Council is requested to consider adoption of Resolution 2021-005 Accepting a Donation from the Arden Hills Foundation in the amount of \$2,479.00 for installation of four park benches.

**Background**

The Arden Hills Foundation has been established as a 501c3 organization. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 465.03 for the benefit of its citizens, cities are authorized to accept gifts and bequests for the benefits of recreational services.

The Arden Hills Foundation has offered to donate \$2,479 to the City of Arden Hills for purchase of four park benches within the community. The benches are proposed along the City’s trail system at the following general locations as shown on Attachment A.

1. Cummings Park north of athletic fields
2. Public trail northeast of Colleen Avenue
3. Perry Park near the dog park
4. Hazelnut Park along trail system.

The four benches would be 6-ft long recycled plastic Malibu bench model with plaques acknowledging the donation from the Arden Hills Foundation. A resolution accepting the donation is provided in Attachment B.

### **Budget Impact**

The donation amount of \$2,479 is expected to cover the full amount to purchase the benches and plaques. City Public Works staff would provide labor and equipment to install the benches.

### **Attachments**

Attachment A: Bench Location Map

Attachment B: Resolution 2021-005 Accepting Donation

Attachment C: Donation Letter