



ARDEN HILLS
MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 18, 2023

TO: Parks, Trails and Recreation Committee

FROM: Lucas Miller, Assistant Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Trail and Parks Projects Update

Previously Discussed Items:

- Lexington Ave is estimated to be substantially completed in August 2023.
- Safe Routes to School from MVHS to E2 down Lake Valentine Road/Old Highway 10 is scheduled for construction this summer 2023. Plans are currently out to bid. There were \$450k in grants awarded for this project.
- City is working with a consultant to pursue grants and bonding for the trail from Lake Valentine Road to Highway 96 along Old Highway 10. Feasibility study has been completed for this project this last fall. Estimated project cost is \$2.6 Mil. Estimated construction would be in 2025/2026 dependent on funding awarded.
- Lake Johanna Blvd conceptual trail study was completed by Ramsey County and they are pursuing funding currently. They are shooting for a final design in 2028, dependent on funding awarded. Estimated construction cost is \$9.5M. City staff has expressed support for this project to the County. County is going for grants and bonding this year potentially up to \$5.5M.
- Floral and Arden Manor parks design for both projects are ongoing and construction is slotted for 2023. Arden Manor funding are grants combined with city funding. Floral is city funding.
- Annual trail maintenance is being scheduled for summer 2023 along Round Lake Rd, Lexington north of 96, Cummings and Floral Parks.
- The CIP for Parks is available online. The budget has been adjusted and will be available when it is approved.
- The 2023 Tree Plan Project is moving forward with the suggested locations along Highway 96 (29) and Hazelnut Park near the stump removals (2).

New/Updated Items:

- Pavement Rating for trails is planned for 2024. This is the first technical step looking ahead to planning existing trail project restorations.

- Hazelnut Parking lot negotiations continue between the City and Trinity Lutheran Church. Details in the negotiations are still a work in progress, although the goal would be to attain a small portion of the parking lot as City park property.

Attachments

N/A