



MEMORANDUM

P.O. Box 4100 ♦ FRISCO, COLORADO 80443

TO: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: JEFF GOBLE, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
RE: MEADOW CREEK ICE DISCUSSION / DIRECTION
DATE: NOVEMBER 9, 2021

Summary and Background: On September 14, the Town Council directed Staff to determine what improvements could be made to enhance and extend the use of Meadow Creek pond as an ice skating rink.

Analysis: After much thought and investigation, staff has come up with the following plan and costs associated with our plan:

- Hire a winter seasonal maintenance operator - \$17.50/ hour = \$5,600: This individual will dedicate approximately 20 hours per week for approximately 16 weeks to maintaining the ice surface. The remaining time per week can be spent performing other Public Works duties.
- Purchase and placement of a storage shed to store the ice maintenance equipment = \$12,000.
- Canvas tarps to enclose the Gazebo to create a shelter for skaters to use = \$1,500
- Purchase of an ATV / UTV type vehicle with a broom / plow/ blower to clear the snow and to pull the "Zamboni" machine = \$12,000. This vehicle can be used for Public Works operations elsewhere as needed.
- Design and build, in-house, a Zamboni style ice surface maintainer = \$3,000.
- Install additional lighting on the existing light pole = \$2,000.
- Purchase rubber mats to be placed from the Gazebo to the ice surface = \$3,000.
- Purchase 2x6 or 2x8 lumber and some angle iron to build dasher boards = \$3,000.
- Total estimated cost = \$42,100

Financial Impact: If the Town Council elects to take action on this item, the costs associated for the project were included in the 2022 Budget. The 2022 funding, related to Meadow Creek Ice Skate Park Upgrades, was approved in the amount of \$50,000 to install upgrades to the natural ice at Meadow Creek park. However, if Council desires to adjust the timing of these upgrades to the 2021 season, a budget amendment in the amount of \$50,000 is recommended for the Lodging Tax Fund in the 2021 Budget.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This item falls under the Vibrant Recreation section of the Councils Strategic Plan by providing a new and improved recreational experience within the Town.

Environmental Sustainability: This project may realize some environmental benefits by having people drive less distance or even walk to get to a nice ice amenity.

Staff Recommendation: Based on the information contained in this report, it is recommended the Town Council provide direction to staff and provide funding as it relates to this project.

Approved By:

Tony O'Rourke, Town Manager
Leslie Edwards, Finance Director

Attachments:

None