



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Council Session

Item I-2

**#2018-105 - Consideration of Skeet Field Expansion Project to be
Donated at Heartland Public Shooting Park**

Staff Contact: Todd McCoy

Council Agenda Memo

From: Todd McCoy, Parks and Recreation Director

Meeting: April 10, 2018

Subject: Consideration of a Skeet Field Expansion Project to be Donated at the Heartland Public Shooting Park

Presenter(s): Todd McCoy, Parks and Recreation Director

Background

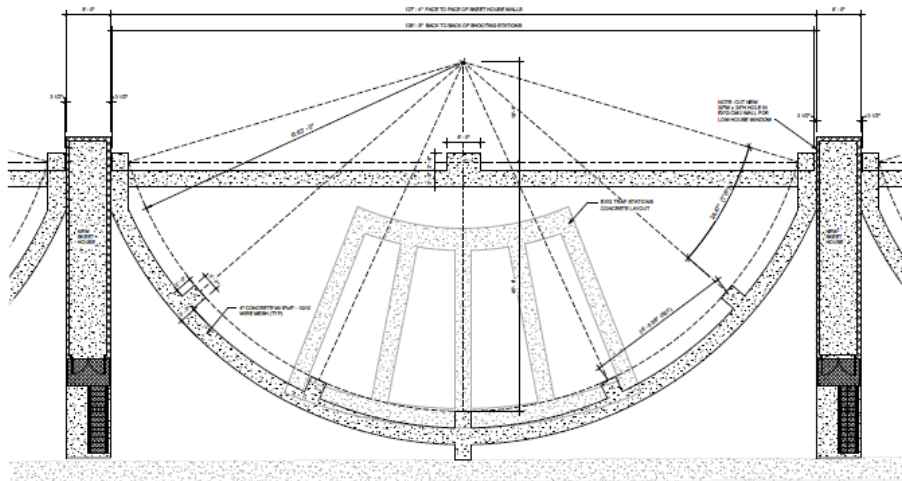
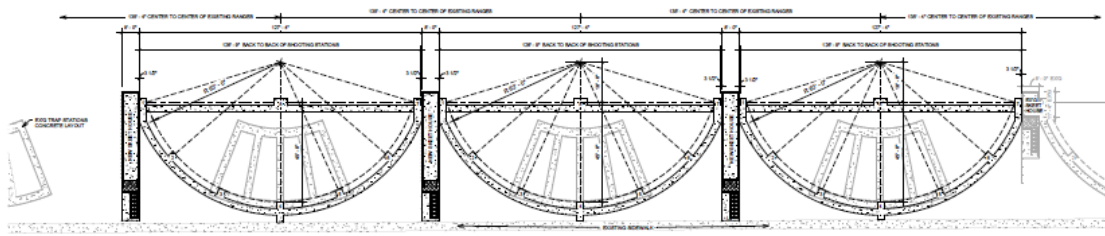
The Heartland Public Shooting Park (HPSP) consists of 420 acres of land just west of Grand Island. Currently the facility includes six skeet ranges, eight trap fields, a fifteen station sporting clays course, rifle and pistol ranges, 3-D archery, a seven acre lake, and a RV campground. The facility has been developed with a combination of City and private funds. HPSP has become regionally and nationally recognized as one of the premier shooting sports facilities in the country.

The final stages are currently being completed to finalize a new Olympic Bunker Trap venue that has been funded by Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clays, Inc.

Discussion

Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clay's, Inc. has quickly gone to work to raise additional funds for another project. They have proposed to build three (potentially four if funding allows) new skeet ranges. The skeet ranges will be overlaid on top of the existing trap ranges. Additional property will not be required for the improvement.

The additional skeet ranges will enhance HPSP by making events run more quickly, increased efficiency, and make the park more attractive for larger events. The total cost of the improvement is estimated at \$225,000.



Although the improvement will be funded privately, the City will have final approval of design and equipment prior to installation. Upon completion of the project the City will be responsible for maintaining the improvement. City staff will be responsible for servicing the equipment and operational expenses as it does the other venues at HPSP. At this time no additional FTE's are requested to support the additional range. It is very likely additional FTE requests may come forward in future City budgets as the expanded facility attracts additional events and to support the overall continued growth of the park.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the City Council approve the resolution authorizing expansion of the skeet ranges to be constructed at the Heartland Public Shooting Park with donated funds provided by the Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clays, Inc.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the resolution authorizing expansion of the skeet ranges to be constructed at the Heartland Public Shooting Park with donated funds provided by the Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clays, Inc.

RESOLUTION 2018-105

WHEREAS, the Heartland Public Shooting Park is owned and operated by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clays Club approached the City with a proposal of building three new skeet ranges that will be overlaid on top of the existing trap ranges at the Heartland Public Shooting Park; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clays Club proposes to raise all funds necessary to build the estimated \$225,000.00 improvement; and

WHEREAS, the City will be responsible for the management and operation of the proposed improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that they approve the proposal to build three new skeet ranges that will be overlaid on top of the existing trap ranges at the Heartland Public Shooting Park with donated funds provided by the Grand Island Skeet and Sporting Clays Club.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, April 10, 2018.

Jeremy L. Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
April 6, 2018	☐ City Attorney