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SPLASH PAD UPDATE

TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION - DEC. 1, 2021

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OVERVIEW

Recap from Discussions

Preliminary Options

Considerations: Destination Attraction; Access

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RECAP OF DISCUSSIONS

Council Work Session

Splash Pad Work Group

Parks, Greenways, & Recreation Commission



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OPTIONS TO MOVE FORWARD

Engage the community in planning for enhancements at AD Clark Pool

- This could include converting wading pool to a splash pad area and/or other upgrades
- 2/3 bond funds are designated for Hargraves Park



OPTIONS TO MOVE FORWARD

Complete feasibility study in order to fully consider options within the parks system

- Parks would be analyzed and rated for suitability and size of splash pad
- Drawings would be developed to show smaller and larger options
- Community engagement would be integral to the process
- Work Group would help to guide the study
- Parks, Greenways, & Recreation Commission and Council would weigh in on the options presented

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OPTIONS TO MOVE FORWARD

Implement Pop-Up splash pad concept

- Exploring this as a temporary, mobile solution to meet short-term needs
- Could be incorporated into existing programming



CONSIDERATIONS: DESTINATION ATTRACTION; ACCESS

Destination Attraction

- Sought out by families from across the area
- Appeals to wider age range
- Connection to parks with other amenities
- A venue for birthday parties, group outings
- More costly to construct and to operate



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CONSIDERATIONS: DESTINATION ATTRACTION; ACCESS

Access

- The number of households able to walk to a splash area could increase by having features at multiple locations
- Opportunity to utilize multiple designs (e.g., contemporary, nature-based, etc.)
- Less costly to operate (no staffing)



PROPOSED NEXT STEPS

Move forward with:

Community engagement?

AD Clark Pool Improvements?

Feasibility Study?

Pop-Up Splash Pad?

Explore Funding Options

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QUESTIONS / DISCUSSION

Do you support moving forward with the proposed options noted tonight?

What are your thoughts on having one destination splash pad and/or smaller splash areas at multiple parks?

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