AGENDA ITEM HISTORY SHEET

ITEM TITLE	AGENDA NO. 9
Parks Master Plan	AGENDA DATE: 4/30/2024

FUNDING CERTIFICATION (Finance Director) (Signature, if applicable)

MANAGEMENT STAFF REVIEW (Signature)

MAYOR (Signature)

ITEM HISTORY (Previous Council reviews, action related to this item, and other pertinent history)

On November 16, 2021, McClelland Consulting Engineers presented to City Council their proposal for a Parks Master Plan. Afterwards, a budget adjustment was made to reallocate previously approved capital dollars to the funding of a Master Plan. In a workshop on April 9, 2024 with Parks Committee and City Council, McClelland presented the Master Plan.

ITEM COMMENTARY (Background discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.) Please identify any or all impacts this proposed action would have on the City budget, personnel resources, and/or residents.

The Bryant Parks Department has operated for most of its existence with no Master Plan. In 2015, the University of Arkansas Department of Health, Human Performace and Recreation did a study that was used as a substitute for a Master Plan and the majority of those recommendations were implemented by the end of 2018. In order to establish a long range vision, the Bryant Parks Department was in need of a 20-year Master Plan. This plan was created as a joint effort with city administration, elected and appointed officials and the community's support. It is designed in order to provide a long-term vision including, but not limited to, prioritizing and budgeting for the CIP, providing tools for grant applications and partnership opportunities, filling gaps and reducing redundancy in our parks system and aligning our investments with the needs of the community.

(This section to be completed by the Mayor)

ACTION PROPOSED (Motion for Consideration)