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Staff Report

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From: Community Services Director Scott Archer

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SUBJECT:

Resolution No. 16-03, Calling for an Election to Approve the Change in Status and Construction of Improvements for a Portion of the Wesley Lynn Park Under Section 41 of the Oregon City Charter, and Adopting a Ballot Title

RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 16-03 and authorizes the City Manager to file the ballot title with the City Recorder.

BACKGROUND:

Icon Construction is proposing to develop a 9-house subdivision directly adjacent to the undeveloped northwestern portion of Wesley Lynn Park and Leland Road. Development of this subdivision, referred to as Parker Knoll, will require the developer to construct a full-width local street on park property. Additionally, the developer needs to construct an underground storm water outfall conveyance system across part of our park property, resulting in a 15-foot storm sewer easement. Though it is on the park property, the adjacent land owner has a legal easement right of access. The City and developer have discussed terms which substantially enhance/improve pedestrian access to the park, as well as providing for future vehicular access to the currently undeveloped portion of the park. City approval for the described easements and access to develop will be conditioned on formal agreement between City and developer for the additional improvements which benefit the City and its park use. The road and utility improvements will be put in at no cost to the City.

Due to the new road construction on park property, which would be dedicated, and the necessary storm water easement on park property, staff believes this requires approval by a vote of the people. The developer would be required to cover costs, if any, related to this ballot measure. Icon has requested this issue be placed on the May 17, 2016 primary election ballot. The City Commission is required to hold a public hearing and adopt a resolution at to place this item on the ballot.

Staff presented this information at the January 12, 2016 Work Session and was asked to bring it forward.