

ARTS, PARKS, AND RIVER

MOTION

The Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) requires permits and reservations for various types of programs and services, such as special events, vehicle parking, and park/facility use permits. RAP does not have mobile technology and manually processes these types of requests.

The City is in the process of developing a mechanism to regulate the permitting process for street vendors. In addition, the Council is considering developing a commercial vending program that would apply to City parks and recreational facilities.

Since there is a citywide effort to establish a street vending program, which may expand to developing a compatible permitting process for vending at City parks and recreational facilities, the City should explore the feasibility of developing a mobile application that would streamline these efforts and improve the user experience. Ideally, the mobile application should include GPS technology that would enable users (e.g. RAP staff, residents) to access data in real time and show permits/reservations for all RAP facilities; this could potentially help avoid double bookings and/or instances in which an individual is using a facility without actually having a permit or reservation.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) to work in consultation with the Information Technology Agency and report on the feasibility of developing a mobile application, as described above, that would streamline and expedite the process for obtaining certain permits, including special events, vehicle parking, facility use, vending, and other commercial services at RAP facilities.

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