

CITY OF BRISBANE
Agenda Report

TO: City Council via City Manager
FROM: Parks & Recreation Director
SUBJECT: Crocker Park Recreational Trail Security
DATE: Meeting of May 18, 2009

CITY COUNCIL GOALS:

- To maintain and improve infrastructure.
- To develop recreational facilities and promote recreation....
- To provide public service that assures the safety of property and citizens residing, working, or visiting in Brisbane.

PURPOSE

To provide additional security measures to limit illegal vehicular access to the Crocker Park Recreational Trail (CPRT) segment behind Data Lok (see Attachment A for the specific area along the trail).

RECOMMENDATION

City Council review the two recommendations provided and give direction to staff.

BACKGROUND

The CPRT was opened in December 2006. Construction included installation of security bollards at five street crossings to limit vehicle access at those locations. There are other potential trail entry points, all from private property. Since the trail opening, several businesses have installed fencing on their property to limit access. In addition, City Engineer Breault has required property owners located along the trail who are seeking improvement permits to install fencing on their property facing the trail to likewise limit vehicle entry.

We recently experienced a rare occurrence of a load of trash dumped in the area behind the Data Lok business (500 Valley Drive), using a vehicle capable of

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BACKGROUND (CONT)

hauling such a load. Police investigated the incident but were unable to locate the violator. A second dumping was experienced within the last month. The only other reported instance of vandalism along the trail took place last fall when a park bench, located in the same general vicinity that this trash dumping took place, was stolen.

After hiking the trail one recent weekend, Councilmember Bologoff noticed the dumped debris and brought it to the City Manager's attention. Staff visited the site, arranged for the removal of the debris, and speculated on how the garbage could have been transported to the site. We concluded that a large vehicle drove through the Data Lok parking lot to access the trail, drove to the remote location, dumped the debris and returned via the same route.

Through the City Manager, Councilmember Bologoff requested staff recommendations on how to eliminate this access point in the future.

DISCUSSION

Staff proposes two options for City Council consideration:

1 - Installation of six steel bollards along the trail edge of the Data Lok parking lot, linked with a ¼ " steel chain (Attachment B). The bollards would be approximately 3 feet above ground and both they and the steel chain would have reflective tape on them.

2 - Placement of 5-6 "K-Rails" along the identified stretch of the trail, with an opening for pedestrians. Paint the rails with a color to blend into the surroundings and to minimize graffiti "hits".

Both options would deny vehicle access at this location. The K-Rails would be more obtrusive and likely more vulnerable to graffiti, particularly considering this remote location. We can marginally minimize the graffiti tagging by using a special "graffiti proof" paint, which assists with the removal of the graffiti.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The installation of the bollards would be preferred, given that they would be less obtrusive in that area and a minimal graffiti risk, but they are the more expensive option of the two presented.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Estimated cost for the bollard solution is \$4,800. The K-Rail choice will cost approximately \$1,200. There is no money in this fiscal year's budget for this project.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS

- Eliminate vehicular access to that segment of the CPRT.

ATTACHMENTS:

A – CROCKER PARK RECREATIONAL TRAIL – SEGMENT BEHIND
DATA LOK (500 VALLEY DRIVE)

B -- SITE PLAN DEPICTING LOCATION OF PROPOSED SECURITY
BOLLARDS

C – CROCKER PARK RECREATIONAL TRAIL MAP, WITH SPECIFIC SITE
LOCATION



Parks & Recreation Director



City Manager