



Legislation Text

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Resolution Adopting the City of Greensboro Spencer Love Tennis Center Master Plan

Department: Parks and Recreation
Council District: 3

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Public Hearing: N/A
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PURPOSE:

City Council approval is requested to approve the Spencer Love Tennis Center Master Plan, which was completed in September 2019.

BACKGROUND:

Spencer Love Tennis Center is located at 3802 Jaycee Park Drive, within Jaycee Community Park and the Battleground Parks District (BPD). BPD encompasses 400 acres that lay in the heart of Greensboro and also includes Country Park, the Greensboro Science Center, Forest Lawn Cemetery, Guilford Courthouse National Military Park, and Lewis Recreation Center.

In 2016, voters approved a series of Parks and Recreation bond projects which included \$3 million in funding for community tennis renovations and the expansion of the Spencer Love Tennis Center. Over the past few years, a group of volunteers representing the Greensboro Tennis Program and Foundation, in conjunction with the City of Greensboro, have been working together to develop a vision for the expansion of the Spencer Love Tennis Center that would include more tennis courts and a modernized training and meeting facility building.

In 2017, the Greensboro Parks and Recreation Commission approved a site plan option for the expansion of tennis courts at Spencer Love to the west of the existing building. In October 2018, the City selected Westcott, Small & Associates (WSAA), a local women-owned engineering and planning firm, to revise the site plan to reflect more viable economic and environmentally-friendly options that would complement the BPD Master Plan and be in alignment with the Plan2Play, the Department's 20-year comprehensive plan. After performing a significant site analysis, WSAA determined the 12-court expansion to the east of the current courts would be the best viable option. The proposed expansion, which will include the construction of six (6) clay and six (6) hard tennis courts and the reduction of one existing multipurpose field, will be funded through private donations and 2016 bonds funds. Future unfunded phases of the expansion will convert the remaining two multipurpose fields into two-regulation size, synthetic turf fields and a new, modernized tennis training and community meeting facility.

On June 19, 2019, a community conversation was held at Spencer Love Tennis Center to share the updated plan and to receive feedback from the public. Following the meeting, a private donation was received to support the conceptual design of the new building.

The Parks and Recreation Commission approved the new site plan development at the August 14, 2019 meeting and the master plan at the November 13, 2019 meeting.

The draft plan is available to review at:

<https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/home/showdocument?id=44426>

BUDGET IMPACT:

There are no immediate costs associated with adoption of the master plan. Parks and Recreation and private funding will support the 12-court expansion identified in the Spencer Love Tennis Center Master Plan.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

The Parks and Recreation Department requests City Council approve the master plan for Spencer Love Tennis Center.