

# *City of Dade City*

## **AGENDA MEMO**

**To:** Mayor and Members of the City Commission  
**From:** Karla S. Owens, Community Development Director  
**Subject:** Proposed Park Improvements/Price Park  
**Date:** July 8, 2009

It is requested that the City Commission consider the following information and recommendation(s):

### **BACKGROUND:**

As you know, the City has been working on a grant through the Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for improvements to Price Park. The grant is the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP). Since the City has received a Rural Economic Development Incentive (REDI), we can apply for up to \$200,000 in FRDAP grant funds with no match required.

### **ISSUES:**

Attached for your review and conceptual approval, is a diagram with proposed improvements to Price Park. Staff is proposing a tie-in to the Hardy Trail and continuation of the trail through the park, additional enhanced trash cans and benches, creation of a dog park, construction of a large picnic pavilion with grills, additional picnic tables, demolition of the existing restrooms and construction of new restrooms.

The grant documents must be submitted to the FDEP by September 15, 2009. Our application must include among other things, letters of support from community groups and other local agencies and documentation of public participation. Consequently, at this time, staff would like the Commission to approve a conceptual plan for the proposed improvements to Price Park so that staff may begin to present this matter to various community groups for their input and support and so that we may advertise and schedule this matter for public hearing.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the attached conceptual plan for proposed improvements to Price Park and authorize staff to advertise same for the appropriate public hearing and presentations to community organizations;

2. Make changes to the attached conceptual plan for proposed improvements to Price Park and authorize staff to advertise same for the appropriate public hearing and presentations to community organizations; or
3. Direct staff to take some other action.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends Alternative No. 1 above.

**FUNDING:**

Funding for the advertisement of this item has previously been budgeted from Account No.: 001-5-130-514-49.10, City Attorney-Legal Ads and Notices.