AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: October 5, 2004

TITLE: Review of the Martin Luther King Jr. Park Master Plan

DEPARTMENT: Recreation and Parks	PUBLIC HEARING: YES/NO
ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution B. Unofficial Recreation & Parks Commission Minutes C. Master Plan Recommendation	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Derek Williams, Site Solutions Anita Jones-McNair - 918-7381

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agenda item is for the Board to review the Martin Luther King Jr. Park Master Plan. The town staff recommends adoption of the attached resolution approving the master plan.

INFORMATION

The Board directed staff to reinstate the Hillsborough Road Park Design Committee to work along with Site Solutions to design the park on November 18, 2003. The design process began with a community input session on January 17, 2004. The community was provided a summary of this project beginning with the purchase of the land December 9, 1999. The last committee meeting was held on May 15, 2004. During that meeting the committee walked the site, reviewed all the information received to date and approved a design for consideration. Derek Williams, Site Solutions will present a brief history of this project and the park design for consideration. This item was reviewed during the May 26, 2004 Development Review Meeting. The Recreation and Parks Commission reviewed the recommendation on June 7, 2004 and is in support of this design. Staff also spoke with Randy Horton who own property next to recommended park construction. He is in support of the park design recommendation.

The Board approved the park design, renamed the park and directed staff to work with Site Solutions to complete the master plan on June 15, 2004. The Design Committee reviewed the draft plan and approved it on September 2, 2004. The Recreation and Parks Commission approved the draft on September 13, 2004.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen approve the master plan.