

MANDATORY REFERRAL REPORT NO. 15-14

Proposed Acquisition of Land for Addition to Crossridge Neighborhood Park in Northwest Charlotte

PROJECT PROPOSAL AND LOCATION:

Mecklenburg County would like to acquire tax parcel 055-16-205 in Northwest Charlotte to add to the Crossridge Neighborhood Park property. The property is vacant and located west of Little Rock Road in a primarily residential neighborhood. The property is approximately .43 acres and is zoned R-4 Single Family Residential according to the City of Charlotte Zoning Ordinance.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION:

Crossridge Neighborhood Park is currently in design. The new park will provide additional recreational amenities for residents of this neighborhood.

CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED PUBLIC POLICIES:

This acquisition is consistent with the County's 2008 *Parks Master Plan* to provide more neighborhood parks.

CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED LAND USE PLANS:

The property lies within the *Northwest District Plan* (adopted 1990), which recommends the location of single-family land uses. Adopted land use policy plans do not identify all areas that are appropriate for planned or future greenways. Typically, greenways are compatible with the surrounding single-family land uses. The use of the property for a park meets the plan's intent to foster a livable and attractive quality community. Therefore the proposed land use is considered to be consistent with the *Northwest District Plan*.

PROJECT IMPACT:

Acquisition of this parcel will give additional access to Crossridge Neighborhood Park and as well as add additional acreage to the park. Construction of the park can be expected to start in fiscal year 2016.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROJECTS:

The parcel being acquired is adjacent to the future park site and is a short walk to Robert L. Smith Regional Park. The County is not aware of any additional projects in this area.

ESTIMATED PROJECT COMPLETION DATE:

Acquisition of this property is expected to be completed in FY16.

JOINT USE TASK FORCE REVIEW COMMENTS:

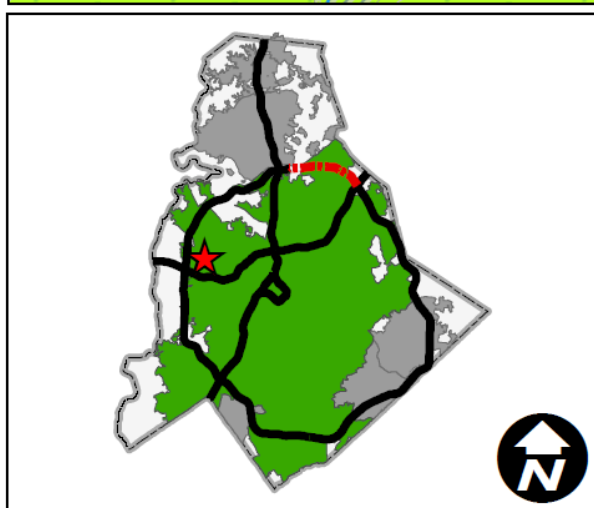
The Joint Use Task Force discussed this matter at their April 1, 2015 meeting and had no comments.

PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed use of the property as a park meets the plan's intent to foster a livable and attractive quality community. Staff recommends approval of the land acquisition to be used for a park.

CMPC PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

At their April 21, 2015 meeting the Planning Committee recommended approval by a 5-0 vote.



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