

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council
Dundas, Minnesota

From: Dustin M Tipp, P.E.
City Engineer

Date: April 14, 2025

Re: East Cannon River Trail and Dog Park Future Planning

Introduction

Staff are looking to explore options for the future expansion of the dog park and East Cannon River Trail trailhead.

Background

In anticipation of the dog park being relocated, as part of the pond maintenance project in Schilling Park, a temporary parking lot and fencing for a new dog park were constructed in 2023. In 2024 a permanent parking lot was constructed along with amenities, including a drinking fountain, garbage cans and a portable restroom facility, to serve users of the dog park and East Cannon River Trail.

The parking lot and dog park location were chosen to allow room for the future expansion of the parking lot, dog park, and other amenities, as usage increased. Based on the current usage observed by Staff, it is recognized that the parking lot is currently undersized, and an expansion would be a near term consideration.

Staff is seeking input from the Council on how to proceed with the future planning efforts and to discuss what the ultimate vision for the area would be. Consider the following:

- Scope, budget, and timelines for future improvements.
- Development of a concept plan.
- Community input – Staff sent out a parks survey to residents in 2022.
- Pursuit of DNR trailhead grant opportunities to assist in funding.
 - Typically requires higher level of planning and community input

Attachments

1. Dundas Dog Park – Future Expansion Figure



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DOG PARK EXHIBIT

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