

Item Title: Support for the National “10-Minute Walk to a Park” Campaign

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners support the national “10-Minute Walk to a Park” campaign.

Item Summary:

The Trust for Public Land, the Urban Land Institute, and the National Recreation and Parks Association are leading a national campaign to improve access to parks & green spaces; more specifically, that 100% of people in U.S. cities, both large and small, have access to a quality park or green space within a 10-minute walk of home by 2050.

The campaign has several different avenues of engagement including a national “Walk to a Park Day” held October 10; a public awareness campaign to showcase and build support for the parks and open spaces in the community; a grant and technical assistance effort to support planning efforts that help cities increase access to high-quality parks within a 10-minute walk; and community leadership endorsement whereby elected officials pledge to support the 10-Minute Walk Campaign. The focus of this item is community leadership support for the campaign as it relates to the Board’s goal of implementing a comprehensive approach for preserving open space and developing parks and greenways to address gaps, leverage opportunities and resources, and enhance collaboration with municipal partners.

Attachments:

1. Presentation