

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #25-029**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CENTRAL PARK PLAYGROUND  
RENOVATION AND REPLACEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey City Council and the Park & Recreation Commission recognizes the importance of Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation to the quality of life for Ramsey residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Parks and their playgrounds are essential areas for play and creative and cognitive expression, as well as the positive physical development of children; and

**WHEREAS**, while Central Park’s play equipment has served the community for almost three-decades, it however, has surpassed its useful life, with many components worn and outdated and no longer meets the caliber of play features befitting a community park and merits replacement; and

**WHEREAS**, renovation and reinvestment in existing parks represents a commitment and service to residents throughout the City, and supports favorable property values and sustaining, desirable neighborhoods, and

**WHEREAS**, the Park & Recreation Commission conducted an analysis of the City’s playgrounds, and finds renovation and replacement of the playground at Central Park the highest priority and in keeping with the intent and goals of the Playground Replacement Policy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Park & Recreation Commission developed a detailed plan to renovate the playground at Central Park for 2025 and on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 recommended to City Council the implementation of the associated Capital Improvement Project.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA:**

That, up to four hundred and forty-nine thousand (\$449,000), are hereby allocated from the Lawful Gambling Improvement Fund and Park Trust Fund, for the purchase and installation of play equipment and related improvements, and further to direct staff to implement the park improvements recommended by the Park & Recreation Commission on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025; and

That, the existing play equipment within Central Park be declared surplus property and that staff is hereby directed to dispose of it in the most fiscally responsible manner possible. Further, that if sold, purchasers must sign a liability waiver, absolving the City from any liability.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

none

and the following abstained:

none

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2025.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk