

BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST

1. Title: Approves a contract execution for cooperative agreement for lease of a portion of Gates Crescent Park and purchase and sale of another portion of Gates Crescent Park between the City and County of Denver and The Children's Museum of Denver, Inc.

2. Requesting Agency: Parks and Recreation

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5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved

a. Scope of Work

The Children's Museum of Denver's property is located immediately adjacent to Gates-Crescent Park, a non-designated, City-owned park. In its ongoing efforts to improve the Children's Museum and to enhance programming provided to young people, the Museum has identified a need to expand its facilities and operations from the Museum's property onto an adjacent and little used part of the park to allow for additional organized activities, to expand the Children's Museum building, and to develop an outdoor educational experience area. The City and County of Denver has agreed to sell to the Museum a 0.6 acre area of land consisting of the plaza area located in the park and a building expansion site located in the park to the south of the Museum's property, subject to certain use restrictions and right to re-purchase and right of first refusal in the event that the Children's Museum ceases to use the property as a children's museum or proposes to sell to a third party which will not operate a children's museum, and to lease an approximately .89 acre area on the far west side of the park and south of the Children's Museum, subject to use restrictions and right of the Parks Manager to approve site changes.

b. Duration

Lease agreement is for a twenty year term, with two additional 10-year renewal options.

c. Location

Gates Crescent Park, Children's Museum of Denver

d. Affected Council District

e. Benefits

The City will receive \$168,000 for the sale of the .06 acre parcel. Denver Parks and Recreation will receive five free public events each year in which Denver citizens will receive free admission to the Museum and the outdoor experience area.

f. Costs

None

6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.

No

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