2027 Budget Information Paper

Name of Department *

Parks & Recreation

Budget *

- [x] Capital (included in capital Forecast, over $5,000)
- [ ] Maintenance (On existing items)
- [x] New (new item not replacing an existing item)
- [ ] Operating (not part of Capital Forecast)
- [ ] Replacement (replacing an existing item in it's entirety)
- [ ] Refurbish (repair to extend the life of the item)

Please enter a date *

11/06/2026

Name: *

Gary Geraldi, Director of Parks & Recreation and Waste Management

Account # *

10-16-1600-5530

Account Name *

Capital Building

Category *

Capital- Building

Subject: *

Parks, Recreation & Waste Dept. Garage

Recommendation: *

That the P&R Dept. explore possibilities for the design and location of a Dept. garage for vehicles, equipment and storage.

Background: *

The Parks, Recreation and Waste Department have pick-up trucks, two landscaping trailers, two zero-turn mowers, Olympia, large mechanical beach-rake, push mowers, landscaping equipment, water tanks, chainsaws, tools, etc.
Prior to building the NKCC, the P&R Dept. had use of the current Home Hardware Small Engine shop/garage.
Originally on the NKCC property was the Public Works current big cold storage garage, that was originally a sand dome.
For info, the P&R Dept had shared the 'budgeted' expense of moving this (sand dome) cold storage garage to its new location at the Roads Yard, as the P&R Dept used it for parking, storage, etc. The Dept. also utilized Station 3 for anything requiring heated storage.
However, the P&R Dept lost all use of the Public Works cold storage garage when the County re-assumed their winter maintenance contract, as that garage is now used for the County winter equipment.
Subsequently, the P&R Dept. moved all equipment to Station 3 and some into the NKCC. Station 3 is also used by the Building Dept and the Fire Dept.
Unfortunately, Station 3 is not conveniently located for operational efficiencies and garage space is at a premium.

Analysis: *

When the NKCC was originally built, there were plans to eventually build a garage and storage building, replacing the garage that was lost.
However, the Department was able to use other Township space, with the gracious cooperation of other Department Managers, thereby saving that infrastructure expense.
However, due to the loss of the cold storage building, limited space at Stn. 3, plus Township and Department growth, it is highly recommended that we begin looking at garbage/storage possibilities, preferably on the existing NKCC property.

Financial Implications:

Dollar Amount of Item *

5750

How does it affect your budget *

Increase in Expenses Over Previous Year Budget for this item

How will it be funded? *

OMPF

Details if Other: