



REQUEST FOR COMMISSION ACTION
CITY OF INDEPENDENCE
March 25, 2021

Department Park, Zoo & Cemetery

Director Approval Angela Anthony

AGENDA ITEM Consider scheduling a Special Commission meeting on April 21, 2021 at 9 AM to walk through the Park, Zoo and Cemetery.

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION City staff recommends approval.

BACKGROUND Riverside Park, Ralph Mitchell Zoo, and Mount Hope Cemetery has the potential of undergoing multiple renovation and restoration projects in the coming years due to routine maintenance, as well as in preparation for Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) accreditation in March of 2026. This Special Commission meeting is a recommended tour of the facilities so that the City Commission has the opportunity to view items that will need attention, and to provide their recommendations prior to any scopes of work being prepared for the infrastructure for Commission approval. Items with highest priority include the mausoleums within Mount Hope Cemetery, both perimeter and exhibit fencing at Ralph Mitchell Zoo, the zoo shop, the Stevens building, the duck pond, Monkey Island, and the Santa Fe locomotive.

BUDGET IMPACT None

SUGGESTED MOTION I move to schedule a Special Commission meeting on April 21, 2021 at 9 AM to walk through the Park, Zoo and Cemetery.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS None