



ROCK ISLAND
ILLINOIS

TO: Thomas Thomas, City Manager

Number:

SUBJECT: Removal of Fire Station at Douglas Park

DATE: 12/1/2015

Background:

The old Fire Station at Douglas Park has been slated to be removed this year. \$20,000 was budgeted to remove the station; however it was determined that there were a number of asbestos issues within the structure. As a result the expected cost of removal exceeded the original amount budgeted.

Report:

Bids for the removal of the Fire House have been taken and the lowest responsible bid came in at \$39,127. The \$20,000 intended for removal of the Fire Station came from gaming. There is another \$16,000 in gaming that was identified for repairs to the Hauberg Center. Staff is requesting that the \$16,000 be used to remove the fire house in an effort to complete the project at Douglas Park. There is also \$45,000 that is budgeted from gaming to replace the roof on the Chalet in Longview Park. Staff did receive a better than expected bid on that work, and request permission to use those funds to make up the \$3,127 difference.

The transfer of gaming funds from these budgeted accounts does require council approval.

Options:

1. Approve the transfer of gaming funds to be used to remove the Fire House at Douglas Park.
2. Do not remove the Fire House.

Recommendation:

Staff would recommend option 1, removal of the Fire Station, and utilize the funds from the Hauberg project and available funds for the Chalet project to fund the removal of the Fire Station at Douglas Park.

Submitted by: William Nelson, Park and Recreation Director

APPROVED: Thomas Thomas, City Manager