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## **RD: Zoning Map Amendment Request for Door Creek Park**

### **Letter of Intent**

The City of Madison Parks Division requests a zoning map amendment and conditional use approval for Door Creek Park, 7035 Littlemore Dr. The zoning amendment includes the parcels at 7145 & 7151 Littlemore Dr., 6901 Bluff Point Dr., 851 Harrington Dr., and 7202 Cottage Grove Rd. The properties are currently zoned as Conservancy District (CD), and Parks seeks to amend their designation to Parks and Recreation (PR).

Within the parks system, Conservancy zoning is used primarily for conservation parks. Per the Parks Division's Park and Open Space Plan, Door Creek Park is classified as a community park. The requested amendment aligns the park's zoning with existing park uses and is consistent with future park improvements per the adopted Door Creek Park Masterplan.

With the zoning amendment, Parks requests conditional use approval of a new, multi-season shelter in the park. In 2007, Parks led a community engagement process to develop a new park masterplan. Based on neighborhood and park user input, a reservable shelter was a central feature in the final plan adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners.

In 2021, with the Alder's support, Parks began design development of the new facility. The 4,000 sf building will be available for public rental year-round and addresses a deficiency in community space on Madison's east side. The proposed building includes a main gathering room, restrooms, warming kitchen, operations bay and space suitable for equipment rentals. It will also have a rooftop photovoltaic system and will be LEED silver certified when complete. The facility received Urban Design Commission approval on February 23, 2022.

The zoning application includes plans identifying the proposed shelter and site improvements necessary to provide a safe, accessible, and sustainable facility.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact Mike Sturm of my staff at [msturm@cityofmadison.com](mailto:msturm@cityofmadison.com) or direct at (608) 267-4921.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric M. Knepp".

Eric Knepp, Parks Superintendent

