

R-26-2022 A Resolution to Utilize American Rescue Plan Act Funds for a Playground at 7th Street Park

**City Council of the City of Glenarden, Maryland
2022 Legislation**

Resolution Number: R-26-2022
Introduced By: Erika L. Fareed, Councilmember
Co-Sponsors: Angela D. Ferguson, Council Vice President
Public Hearing: Tuesday, April 19, 2022
Session: Regular Session
Date of Introduction: Monday, May 9, 2022

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WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 602 (a) (41) of the City Charter gives the Council express power to establish and maintain public parks, gardens, playgrounds, and other recreational facilities and programs to promote the health, welfare, and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the City; and

WHEREAS, 7th Street Park is lacking proper equipment to promote the health, welfare, and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Glenarden has been awarded funds under the American Rescue Plan Act; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Treasury has issued a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document updated January 2022 that clarifies uses for the American Rescue Plan Act funds; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of the Treasury FAQs Question 2.18 “Would investments in improving outdoor spaces (e.g. parks) be an eligible use of funds as a response to the public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts?” allows for an investment in parks, public plazas, and other public outdoor recreation spaces in response to the needs of disproportionately impacted communities by promoting healthier living environments and outdoor recreation and socialization to mitigate the spread of COVID-19

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Glenarden, Maryland, sitting in **Regular Session this 9th day of May, 2022** as follows:

1. The City Manager will obtain three competitive proposals for a playground installation within 30 days of the passing of the resolution.

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2. The 7th Street Park shall be included as an area of spend in the City’s report to the US government on the use of the American Rescue Plan Acts Funds.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately following passage by the Council.

Date Approved: _____

ATTEST:

City Council of Glenarden

Victoria Lewis, Council Clerk

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Angela D. Ferguson, Council Vice President

Erika L. Fareed, Councilwoman

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3 Votes:

4 Yea ____

5 Nay ____

6 Abstain ____