



City Council Agenda Item Report

FROM: Ryan Cummins, City Manager

MEETING DATE: July 7, 2025

SUBJECT: Potential Donor for Future Saugatuck Wilds Nature Preserve Pavilion

DESCRIPTION:

An anonymous donor has come forth with an offer to donate dollars toward the future construction of a pavilion at the Saugatuck Wilds Nature Preserve. The donor advised the funds will not be available until their death. Before establishing a legal mechanism to provide the funds, the donor is seeking feedback from City Council on whether there is interest in future construction of a pavilion and related accessory items. The donor proposed funds be used for the following:

- A pavilion that is 20 ft x 40 ft
- Benches and/or picnic tables
- Possibly a fireplace
- The pavilion be named after their dog.
- Leftover funds (if any) to maintain the pavilion.

The donor will have a representative at the meeting to answer questions.

LEGAL REVIEW:

Legal previously advised staff on options to formalize the donation. Legal will be at your meeting for any questions.

SAMPLE MOTION:

N/A – Workshop discussion item.