Tuesday February 22, 2011 City Council Meeting

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Dennis J. Bowyer, Parks & Recreation Director

Request:
Consideration of the request to donate a tree with a plaque located in City Park.

Time Estimate:
This request will be on the City Council's Consent Calendar

Background:
The City Council approved the modifications to the Parks & Recreation Department's donation policy to allow additional text on inscriptions on July 20, 2009. The new policy states "Any additional text and any inscription for other donations must be directly related to the history of the community, and may identify groups or persons with longstanding ties to the community". The council directed staff to have all requests reviewed by the Parks & Recreation Commission for a recommendation prior to consideration by the City Council.

Lance Clow, representing friends of Mary Inman, has requested to donate a tree and a plaque with an enhanced inscription that reads: "In Memory of Mary Inman, Twin Falls Historian, Conservationist and Friend. 1928 – 2010". The tree and plaque are proposed to be located in City Park.

At the Parks & Recreation Commission meeting on Tuesday February 8th, the Commission reviewed the request. A motion was made to approve the additional text on the plaque's inscription and a park bench donation as requested. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval Process:
The City Council requested that all donations be reviewed by the Parks & Recreation Commission, and then forward their recommendation to the City Council for consideration.

Budget Impact:
None

Regulatory Impact:
Approval of this request will allow friends of Mary Inman to proceed with placement of the tree and plaque in City Park.

Conclusion:
The Parks & Recreation Commission recommends that the Council approve the request for additional text on the plaque's inscription from the friends of Mary Inman.

Attachment:
1. Donation Request

TWIN FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION

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DONATION REQUEST FORM

Date: **February 7, 2011**

Requested by: **Lance W. Clow**

Address: **2170 Bitterroot Drive**
Street Address

Twin Falls, Idaho 83301
City State Zip Code

Home Phone: **208-733-5767** (Area Code)

Work Phone: _____ (Area Code)

Donation Requested: **Tree**

(Tree, bench, drinking fountain, picnic tables, playground equipment, picnic shelters, etc.)

Location Requested: **City Park, to replace a tree removed last year, near the restrooms**

Alternative Location: **North Five Points Triangle**

Plaque Inscription:

In Memory of Mary Inman

Twin Falls Historian, Conservationist and Friend

1928 - 2010

If you are requesting additional text, please describe how the group or person has longstanding ties to the community or is directly related to the history of the community.

Mary Inman was very interested in the history of Twin Falls and wrote a book, presented walking tours and live personal dramatic skits about the pioneers of the Magic Valley. She was a member of the Tree Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission and active in many community programs.

The Benefits are Endless...

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Send this form to Twin Falls Parks & Recreation, P.O. Box 1907, Twin Falls, ID 83303.
For further information, please contact the Parks & Recreation office at (208) 736-2265.

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Donation Name:_____

Site: _____ Type: _____

Completion Date: _____