## **City Council – Action Request Form**

Date: September 13, 2021

**To:** Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

Johnnie Taylor, Assistant City Manager

From: William L. Royston, Recreation and Parks Director

S. Kirk Bjorling, Real Estate Administrator

## **Council Action Requested**:

Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of a Gift Deed from Mary S. Wiggins Heirs (Northwest Ward)

**Strategic Focus Area:** Livable Neighborhoods **Strategic Objective:** Expand Open Space and Recreational Facilities **Strategic Plan Action Item:** No **Key Work Item:** No



## Summary of Information:

Mary S. Wiggins Heirs own a 1.11-acre vacant lot at the intersection of Silas Creek Parkway and Partridge Lane, identified as Tax PIN 6816-54-7024, which has been offered as a gift deed to the City of Winston-Salem.

The Silas Creek Greenway currently ends at Robinhood Road, though the Winston-Salem Greenway Plan and the Wake Forest University/City of Winston-Salem Bicycle/Pedestrian/ Transit/Plan call for an extension of that trail to provide connectivity to Wake Forest University and the nearby neighborhoods. The acceptance of the gift deed from Mary S. Wiggins Heirs will provide the City with options in its efforts to construct future phases of the Silas Creek Greenway. The Recreation and Parks Director has reviewed the property site and is agreeable to the acceptance. The offer to accept the land has also been reviewed and approved by the Recreation and Parks Commission.

The attached resolution authorizes staff to proceed with the acquisition of the property.

Committee Action:			
Committee	Finance 9/13/2021	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	
<b>Remarks:</b>			