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TID amendment set to bring playground to West Basin

Today (**Thursday, June 18**) the Board of Commissioners of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee (RACM) approved an amendment to city Tax Incremental District (TID) No. 72 (Bishops Creek) that will help pay for a multifaceted playground at **West Basin**, a public greenspace area along N. 35th St. in the 1st Aldermanic District.

The TID #72 amendment – included on the RACM board’s agenda with other action items – must receive final approval from the full Common Council before the playground can be constructed, said 1st District **Alderman Andrea M. Pratt**.

In coordination with stormwater management and other community improvements being led by the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD), the City of Milwaukee Parks will be installing a playground at the West Basin on the former Bee Bus Lines property near 35th and Marion. This new playground will work with other improvements being funded by MMSD to provide a place for residents to gather, play, and enjoy nature.

Alderman Pratt said the playground project is an “historic public improvement” on what had been a former commercial/industrial site. “I am grateful for the great partnership on this project with MMSD, the Department of Public Works, the Department of City Development, and the City of Milwaukee Parks, to help bring this wonderful playground closer to fruition,” she said. “The children and families in the area will have a fantastic amenity they can enjoy for many, many years to come.”

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New playground at West Basin/ADD ONE

A second TID amendment (TID #62 - DRS Power & Control Technologies) approved today by the RACM board will bring a host of roadway/pedestrian safety improvements to areas mostly in the 1st District (especially along Hopkins and N. Teutonia), as well as resurfacing and high impact paving to several street segments. “I’m pleased that several streets are being redone, raised crosswalks will be installed on Teutonia, and that overall we will be seeing historic investments in an area that rarely gets an infusion like this,” Alderwoman Pratt said.

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