

## FLORIDA'S SPACE COAST

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Rob Feltner, District 4

RE: Item J.6., Letter to City of Melbourne Referencing Wickham Park

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on February 20, 2024, approved and authorized the Chair to sign a letter referencing Wickham Park, to be sent to the City of Melbourne. Said letter was signed and provided to Commissioner Feltner at the Board of County Commissioners Meeting.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF/COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

CC:

Commissioner District 1,2,3,5

County Manager



## **BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Mayor Paul Alfrey City of Melbourne 900 E. Strawbridge Avenue Melbourne, FL 32901

February 20, 2024

Dear Mayor Alfrey,

The Brevard County Board of County Commissioners is writing to express Brevard County's commitment to maintaining Wickham Park as an integral part of the County's Parks and Recreation system. As we recognize the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Wickham Park's dedication, the park stands as a testament to providing exceptional recreational opportunities and community spaces for our residents.

Wickham Park has long been established as the regional urban park in our county. Its importance as a countywide destination cannot be overstated, as evidenced by the myriad of uses and facilities available to our residents. The park's diverse offerings, including trails, multi-use fields, pavilions, an amphitheater, a dog park, senior center, community center, camping grounds, disc golf courses, archery ranges, and horse-riding areas, ensure that there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Furthermore, Brevard County remains committed to investing in the future of Wickham Park to ensure its continued relevance and accessibility to residents. Projects such as the construction of the new disabilities program building and the importance of continuing to maintain and upgrade park infrastructure such as the replacement of bathroom and shower facilities, as well as park road improvements, are essential for ensuring the safety, comfort, and enjoyment of all park-goers.

Wickham Park – our county's "Central Park" -- holds a special place in the hearts of our community members, and we are committed to preserving its status as a Brevard County Park for generations to come. We will continue to work to ensure that Wickham Park remains a vibrant hub of recreation, relaxation, and community engagement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Sincerely,

Jason Steele

Chair, Brevard County Board of County Commissioners