

Brentwood parkland grows by 25 acres

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City Attorney Roger Horner announced the change of ownership from Tennsco to the city at the Aug. 9 City Commission meeting.

“I am appreciative to Tennsco for the donation of this valuable land for an additional city park. The inclusion of even more green space in the form of larger residential buffers was also significant,” Mayor Betsy Crossley said in a released statement. “Now, we look forward to incorporating neighbors’ ideas into the future plan of the newly acquired park.”

Wood Caldwell, of Southeast Venture, which represents the landowner, said that the new parkland should offer several benefits. “Municipal green space is always a great amenity for a city, and I believe this is particularly true for Brentwood. Beyond the natural beauty of a park, in this case it also serves as an excellent transitional buffer between residential neighborhoods and a commercial area. It’s an excellent example of forward-thinking city planning.”

City Commissioner Regina Smithson, who participated in the unanimous vote by the Brentwood City Commission to accept the parkland and rezone land to extend Mallory Park after a tumultuous six-month process, said that the donation of 20-plus acres for a city park is part of a “win-win-win situation.”

“I want to thank Tennsco and Wood Caldwell for working with the neighborhoods surrounding the ‘flagpole’ property and with the City of Brentwood to come up with a win-win-win situation,” she said. “The city now has additional parkland in the area that was much needed, plus more commercial tax revenues from the 33 acres of commercial property.

“The developer gave some, the city gave some and the neighbors gave some. In doing so, they all received more. Just about everyone was pleased and when the project is complete, I believe Brentwood will be an even better place to live. This is proof that developers, residents and government can work together for the good of all.”

Developer deeds 2 parcels of ‘flagpole property’ to city

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The City of Brentwood now has nearly 24 acres of new parkland. Last Thursday, two parcels of land were deeded to the city from Tennsco, which also owns 33.5 nearby acres, known as the “flagpole property” that was recently rezoned commercial.

The Mallory Park business park will be extended into the rezoned property.

One of the donated parcels is 14.99 acres bounded by Wikle Road and the CSX