



Memo

Legal Department

TO: Mayor Campbell and Members of the Ames City Council

FROM: Judy Parks, Assistant City Attorney

DATE: November 17, 2010

SUBJECT: Cart Path Easement across Greenbriar Park for Legacy Golf Links

You may recall that in 2009, the City had approved stormwater management improvements near Greenbriar Park in southwest Ames in order to reduce flooding in that park as well as on the nearby Coldwater Golf Links. The project involved redirecting the unnamed creek in that area, but in order to do that, one of the crossings used by golf carts to get from one part of the course to the other had to be eliminated. In going forward with that project, an agreement was reached with the owners of the course under which the City would grant an easement at a different location for the golf carts to use, in lieu of the path which was being eliminated. The easement allows the golf carts to use the City's bike trail and cross its park land for a short distance between the segments of the course. The agreement also binds the owners of the course to hold the City harmless from any liability arising from that use. The agreement granting that easement was prepared and forwarded to the owner to be signed and returned.

The signed easement documents were recently returned to the City, and your acceptance of them is at this time requested.