

Public Notice
City of Lake City, Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Application
Blanding Street Park Improvements
Public Review and Comment Period: February 25, 2020 to March 26, 2020

This public notice is being distributed to all known interested persons and agencies to invite review and comment on the proposed work and the Environmental Assessment completed for improvements to Blanding Street Park. The City of Lake City has received approval from the SC Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism to submit an application for funding from the Land and Water Conservation Fund of the National Park Service.

Proposed Work: The City intends to construct multi-purpose fields, a walking trail, and sewer connection to serve the park. The fields and trail will be constructed next to the two new baseball fields. The area will have fencing and lighting. The total cost estimate is \$318,500 of which \$159,250 will be a grant request and \$159,250 matching funds.

Project Alternatives: The “no action” alternative would mean that these improvements are not made to Blanding Street Park. The area where the multi-purpose fields are proposed would remain a vacant field. The City would continue to lease multi-purpose fields from local schools but would not have the capacity to expand team field sports programs. The concession stand and restroom service would remain dependent on a septic system. Local residents would not have a walking track for exercise.

Environmental Review: In accordance with Federal requirements, the City requested review by the SC Department of Archives and History and the Tribal Historic Preservation Office to ensure that historic, cultural, archaeological and tribal interests are not impacted adversely by the proposed project. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, an Environmental Assessment has been prepared to identify any potential negative impacts to the environment. This document and the project map are available for review at Lake City Hall, 202 Kelley Street, Lake City, SC 29560.

Comment Period: Comments regarding this application must be received by the City of Lake City on or before noon on March 26, 2020. Interested parties may submit comments and/or show support for the project to:

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