

CITY OF RAPID CITY

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION 125 WATERLOO STREET RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA 57701

Jerry W. Cole Director (605) 394-5225

To: Mayor Hanks and City Council Members

From:

Subject:

Jerry Cole, Director

Randy Lyons Landscape Designer (605) 394-5225 Report on Parks and Recreation Landscape

Designer Position

Date: September 22, 2010

Jeri Taton Administrative Assistant (605) 394-5225

In May of 2008 the City hired a Landscape Designer to help with City landscape projects. The intent of hiring this position was to allow the Parks and Recreation Department to; 1. Initiate projects that had been funded for several years but not started due to someone overseeing the project, and 2. Save the City money by doing some of the projects in house.

Lon Van Deusen, Parks & Cemetery Manager (605) 394-4175

The attached spreadsheet lists the projects that the Landscape Designer has worked on, including design, construction oversight, and project management (DCA). In the past two years there have been a total of 20 CIP projects that the LD has been associated with in addition to all the other projects that he has helped with or gave comment on that were not Parks and Recreation Projects.

Doug Lowe, Recreation Manager (605) 394-6161

The spreadsheet shows that the City saved over \$100,000 in the last two years by not having to hire this work done. We feel we also save an unknown amount of dollars by just getting some of these projects off the ground that might still be sitting there today.

Duncan Olney Aquatics Manager (605) 394-5223

Any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.