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City leaders discuss alternate dog park sites

A resolution to the much-debated dog park dispute will be the topic of discussion on Tuesday (Dec. 3) at a meeting in Mayor Cedric Glover's conference room at Government Plaza.

The 2 p.m. meeting, which is open to the public, is being held with Mayor Glover, City Council members, Shreveport Dog Park Alliance representatives, as well as Parish of Caddo officials and other interested citizens.

Last week council members delayed action on a proposed repeal of the resolution requiring Mayor Glover to sign an agreement with the Red River Waterway Commission to accept \$280,000 to fund construction for a dog park at Charles and Marie Hamels Park. That agreement also would obligate the City to fund the remaining costs associated with completing the park. Various estimates have put those costs considerably higher than the funding available from the RRWC.

"It's important that we sit down and continue this dialogue because the deeper we delve into the details, the clearer it's becoming for the Council and others that it's in all of our best interests to follow the established protocols we have in place to plan, fund and execute these riverfront projects with the Red River Waterway Commission," Mayor Glover said.

A state judge in May sided with the plaintiffs in a lawsuit against Mayor Glover, ordering him to comply with a City Council resolution to sign the agreement. That decision is being appealed.

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