

**CITY OF GAUTIER**  
**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Samantha Abell, City Manager  
**From:** La Freida Ray, Cultural Services Director  
**Date:** March 7, 2016  
**Subject:** Authorization to accept a monetary donation from Friends of Shepard volunteer group for improvements at Shepard State Park

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**REQUEST:**

The Cultural Services Department requests City Council accept a monetary donation in the amount of \$8,302.99 from Friends of Shepard volunteer group for improvements at Shepard State Park.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Friends of Shepard volunteer group would like to donate the balance of funds collected to the City of Gautier to be used for improvements at Shepard State Park.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Cultural Services Department has determined this monetary donation is in the “best interest” of the City of Gautier. Cultural Services proposes to use the donation to purchase new disc golf equipment and park souvenirs.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Cultural Services Department recommends City Council authorize the acceptance of a monetary donation in the amount of \$8,302.99 from Friends of Shepard volunteer group to make improvements at Shepard State Park.

City Council may:

1. Authorize the acceptance of the donation from Friends of Shepard volunteer group; or
2. Decline the acceptance of the donation from Friends of Shepard volunteer group.

**ATTACHMENTS:**