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I have been looking through previous staff reports about the park land dedication fund. I want to understand how much of the fund has gone to the various priority areas historically.

It is clear that only a small percentage has historically gone toward priority #1: Acquisition. Fortunately there has been a recent trend upwards, with most acquisitions happening in the last couple years.

But I have not been able to determine how the remaining funds have been distributed between #2: Development and #3: Rehabilitation.

My concern is this: If rehabilitation of existing facilities is funded through growth, how will our facilities be maintained if growth slows down? For example, we have dedicated \$25million of parkland fees towards the new Rengstorff pool. Concrete pools have a lifespan of around 30 years. Are we relying on new growth 30 years from now?

I would like to know how much the city is using growth to fund maintenance. If growth slows - will it strain the city's ability to maintain our parks and open space? If so: we need to think of some alternative funding source.

If there is a document with this information already I would be very happy. Otherwise I would like the committee to consider obtaining this information.

Thanks for reading, and for volunteering your time to help make the city more green and biodiverse
- Isaac Stone