

RESOLUTION C
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MEMORIAL PARK

WHEREAS, the City of Shakopee did acquire from the State of Minnesota, and for the express purpose of public use and enjoyment, the following described tract of land in Shakopee in the Count of Scott and the State of Minnesota, viz:

Government Lot 1, Section 31, Township 116, Range 22;
Government Lot 1, Section 32, Township 116, Range 22; all that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 6, Township 115, Range 22 lying North of Trunk Highway No. 101 and all that part of the North half of the Northwest Quarter lying North of said Highway and West of the 1/16th line.

WHEREAS, said tract containing therein a beautiful and picturesque clear water creek, with the century old grist-mill of the pioneer Pond brothers situated thereon and containing the site of the original encampment of Chief Shakopee's band of Indians - the scene of ancient scalp dances and the last of the inter-tribal wars in 1858; and containing thereon, five Indian burial mounds, embracing the last vestige of that conquered people.

WHEREAS, said tract, steeped in historic significance and containing thereon a beautifully wooded plot of more than 30 acres, and as many more acres in flat meadowland, as well as a babbling brook abounding in trout; holding a potential unsurpassed for recreation and inspiration for youths of all ages,

WHEREAS, a proposal to dispose of a parcel of said tract was submitted to the electorate within two years past, and an overwhelming majority of said electorate returned a resounding "no" to the suggestion, thus imposing a mandate upon the Common Council to make said tract accessible to the general public and to properly develop said tract for such use.

WHEREAS, the people of Shakopee have established no fitting memorial to their sons and daughters who have fought and died in every of this Nation's Wars since the first contingent of Shakopee men answered President Lincoln's call for troops.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of Shakopee that we honor our sense of gratitude and pride in possessing this tract of land, both to our Veterans of all Wars, and in particular to those heroic men among them who gave their lives that we might enjoy it; and dedicate the above described tract of land to be forever known as MEMORIAL PARK.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That there be erected upon said tract and in an appropriate and conspicuous place, a fifty-foot flag staff upon a monumetal stone base, said stone base to bear a plaque suitably inscribed with a dedication legend, and the names of those sons of Shakopee numbered among our heroic War dead.

Passed in Regular Session of the Common Council held this 13th day of April, 1954.

F.A. Dircks
City Recorder

Frank Blenkush, President
Approved this 14th day of April 1954
George A. Philipp, Mayor