City of Denton



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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Finance

ACM: Cassey Ogden

DATE: July 16, 2024

SUBJECT

Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Local Parks Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant Program 2025 in the amount of \$750,000 for materials and construction costs of an all-abilities playground at North Lakes Park; and providing an effective date.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

This action supports Key Focus Area: Strengthen Community and Quality of Life.

BACKGROUND

The Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) is seeking \$750,000 through TPWD's Local Parks Grant Program 2025 for Phase II of the All-Abilities Playground to be built at North Lakes Park.

This project will provide a place for kids with special needs to engage in play activities, with their peers, in a way that is accessible to them. The project is a remodel of an existing park. It will provide increased service for a segment of the population that does not currently have a fully accessible play area within the City of Denton.

The grant application will be completed by the PARD Planning staff. If awarded, the grant funding will cover the costs for materials and construction of the playground. The grant requires a 50/50 match in funds. PARD will be using 2023 Bond funds to match the grant amount and expects to start Phase I of the project in Spring 2025.

Grant applications are due on August 1, 2024. The application requests a resolution from the governing body authorizing the application submittal as well as receipt of funding if awarded.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

FISCAL INFORMATION

The 2023 Bond election approved \$33.45 million for the Park System. Bond funds are an eligible source for a non-federal match. PARD will use \$750,000 of the approved bond amount as the required cash match.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 Resolution

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