

Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION NO. 2202: ADOPTING THE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK GRANT POLICY AND PROCEDURES

COUNCIL INITIATIVE ADDRESSED: Address Quality of Place Issues

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Required

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

On December 8, the Neighborhood Park Grant Policy was presented to Council for recommendation to draft a resolution for approval. The Neighborhood Park Grant Program is a capital program (budgeted in the capital projects fund) initiated by the City Council as a means of giving community groups the opportunity to improve and invest in their parks, while giving the city the opportunity to stretch its capital funds. Annually since 1997, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has evaluated applications and made recommendations to the council for final approval.

The purpose of the resolution is to establish policies and procedures for considering applications for the Neighborhood Park Grant Program.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board worked with staff during the drafting process by providing comment and input. The Board made a motion to recommend approval of the Neighborhood Park Grant Policy and Procedures at their regular meeting on November 28.

During the presentation on December 8, Council also gave direction for City Staff to work on a mini-park grant program that would allow for community members or groups to apply for matching funding for projects that are below the monetary threshold of a capital improvement project or that do not fit with the scope of work allowable within the policy. City staff and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will explore options for projects and funding sources and present to council at a later date.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Motion to approve Resolution 2202 adopting the Neighborhood Park Grant Policy and Procedures.

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