

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

Ordinance amending the Parks 2016 Capital Investment Program budget to recognize \$1,575,000 of additional grant funds for Inspiration Playground (P-AD-94), from King County, the State of Washington and the National Park Service, and to authorize the expenditure of such funds.

FISCAL IMPACT

This action would increase the 2015-2021 General Capital Investment Program, Inspiration Playground (P-AD-94) appropriation in 2016 by \$1,575,000, from \$2,500,000 to \$4,075,000.

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POLICY CONSIDERATION

City Contracting Policies

City financial policies require that budget amendments that change fund appropriation levels be approved by ordinance, and that Council approval is needed for CIP budget changes totaling more than \$100,000.

BACKGROUND

On September 17, 2012, Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding (Resolution No. 8446) with the Bellevue Rotary Club that outlined a partnership agreement to expand the existing Downtown Park playground with a focus on inclusive, accessible play opportunities, where all ages and abilities can play and explore at their own pace. The City committed to providing design and other project soft costs, and to operate and maintain the playground. Rotary committed to raise construction costs for the Inspiration Playground and Sensory Garden. The agreement allowed for phased development; however, grants and Rotary's successful fundraising efforts have allowed that the entire Inspiration Playground can be completed in a single phase.

On April 7, 2014, Council approved Resolution No. 8725 authorizing grant application to the State of Washington for a National Park Service Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant (LWCF) for Inspiration Playground. Staff has been successful in securing the award of a \$500,000 LWCF Grant. The agreement is in process and will be issued when 2016 Federal funds become available in October.

On January 5, 2015, Council approved Resolution No. 8861 authorizing the execution of a King County Youth Sport Facilities Grant Agreement that will provide \$75,000 toward the development of Inspiration Playground. This grant has been awarded.

Bellevue Rotary and City staff have additionally been successful in securing the award of a State of Washington Capital Budget Grant for \$1.0 million. City staff is currently working with the State Department of Commerce to complete the agreement.

Staff will return to Council for review and authorization of the LWCF and Legislative Grant Agreements later this summer and fall.

EFFECTIVE DATE

If adopted by Council, this Ordinance will become effective on June 30, 2016.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Ordinance amending the Parks 2016 Capital Investment Program budget to recognize \$1,575,000 of additional grant funds from King County, the State of Washington and the National Park Service, and to authorize the expenditure of such funds.
2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1.

MOTION

Move to adopt Ordinance 6297 amending the Parks 2016 Capital Investment Program budget to recognize \$1,575,000 of additional grant funds for Inspiration Playground (P-AD-94), from King County, the State of Washington and the National Park Service, and to authorize the expenditure of such funds.

ATTACHMENTS

CIP Project Description

Proposed Ordinance No. 6297

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N/A