

March 6, 2017

## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

### **SUBJECT**

Resolution authorizing: 1) termination of a \$500,000 State of Washington Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) funded Grant Agreement; and 2) execution of a \$1,000,000 RCO Grant Agreement with combined WWRP and Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds funding for the construction of Inspiration Playground in Downtown Park.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None. Council has already approved Ordinance 6247 (February 16, 2016) and Ordinance 6297 (June 20, 2016) amending the General CIP budget to recognize \$1,000,000 in grant funds and authorize their expenditure for the Inspiration Playground (P-AD-94).

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### **POLICY CONSIDERATION**

City Code:

City policies require that grant awards over \$90,000 be approved by Council.

### **BACKGROUND**

On December 7, 2015 and February 16, 2016, Council approved Resolution 9016 and Ordinance 6247 authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement, budget amendment, and expenditure of a \$500,000 Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program (WWRP) funded grant managed by the Washington State Recreation Conservation Office (RCO).

In 2014, staff successfully secured a second \$500,000 grant, this one from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), administered through the National Park Service, though still managed by RCO. However, this Grant Agreement was delayed pending the availability of Federal grant funds. On June 20, 2016, Council approved Ordinance 6297 amending the General CIP budget to recognize these funds and authorize their expenditure. The Federal funds and Grant Agreement are now available.

In order to access these funds, the City must enter into an Agreement with RCO. Rather than having two \$500,000 agreements for the same project, RCO has asked that we combine the WWRP and LWCF grants into a single agreement for \$1,000,000. Grant agreements commit the City to specific conditions, and the two programs have nearly identical terms. The difference in terms is that the existing WWRP funded Agreement requires that the property upon which the facility is developed (outlined in red on the attached Boundary Map) remain in outdoor recreation use in perpetuity. The Federal LWCF grant requires compliance with Section 6(f)(3) of the LWCF Act – which extends the property that must

remain in public outdoor recreation use in perpetuity to include the majority of the Downtown Park, outlined in yellow on the LWCF 6(f) Boundary Map, except for the specific exemptions noted.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

If approved, this Resolution becomes effective immediately upon Council adoption.

### **OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing: 1) termination of a \$500,000 State of Washington Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) funded Grant Agreement; and 2) execution of a \$1,000,000 RCO Grant Agreement with combined WWRP and Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds funding for the construction of Inspiration Playground in Downtown Park.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Option 1

### **MOTION**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9237 authorizing: 1) termination of a \$500,000 State of Washington Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) funded Grant Agreement; and 2) execution of a \$1,000,000 RCO Grant Agreement with combined WWRP and Federal Land and Water Conservation Funds funding for the construction of Inspiration Playground in Downtown Park.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Boundary Map

CIP Project Description

Proposed Resolution No. 9237

### **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL DOCUMENT LIBRARY**

Grant Agreement (WWRP funding) Project #14-1182D / City#1510652

Grant Agreement (Combined WWRP and LWCF funding) Project #14-1716D