

**City Council Regular Meeting**

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation  
**FROM:** Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation  
**MEETING:** March 23, 2026

**SUBJECT:**

Consider authorization of a resolution for an advanced funding agreement with TxDot for Green Ribbon Improvements along John Jones Dr. from Greenridge Dr to S.Towne Dr in the amount of \$803,358. (*Staff Contact: Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation*)

Strategic Priority	Strategic Goal
 <p><b>Great Place to Live</b>            Through Expanded            Quality of Life            Amenities</p>	4.1.2 5 Year Capital Plan

**SUMMARY:**

The Green Ribbon Program is a TxDOT grant initiative designed to improve the visual character of state roadway corridors and minimize the negative impacts of air pollution through the planting of trees, shrubs, and other landscaping features.

The City of Burleson has been awarded funding through this program to implement corridor enhancements along FM 731 between South Towne Drive and Greenridge Drive. Improvements include:

- Native and adaptive tree and shrub planting
- Ornamental grasses and landscape beds
- Hardscape features such as decomposed granite, river rock mulch, and 18” concrete mow strips
- Irrigation installation

Upon completion of the project, the City will assume full responsibility for landscape and irrigation maintenance.

**Project Scope:**

- **Location:** FM 731 corridor, South Towne Drive to Greenridge Drive
- **Type of Work:** Median landscape and hardscape development with irrigation systems
- **Responsible Parties:** TxDOT (funding and oversight) and the City of Burleson (design, local coordination, and long-term maintenance)

**Budget:**

The AFA establishes the following cost participation structure:

- **Federal Participation:** \$520,000
- **State Participation:** \$177,521
- **Local Participation:** \$115,000 (design contract with Kimley-Horn and required services)
- **Total Estimated Project Cost:** \$812,521

Funding sources include:

- \$400,000 Green Ribbon Grant (TxDOT reimbursement)
- \$250,000 Green Ribbon GCAA (previously awarded)
- \$115,000 City of Burleson contract with Kimley-Horn for design and construction administration

**Timeline:**

- **Design & Administration:** Fall 2025 – Spring 2026
- **Construction:** FY 2026, following TxDOT concurrence and local letting process
- **Project Completion:** Estimated late FY 2026

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT for the Green Ribbon Program improvements along FM 731.

**PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):**

N/A

**REFERENCE:**

Insert CSO# if applicable

Insert resolution or ordinance change

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Proposed Expenditure/Revenue:

Account Number(s):

Fund:

Account Description:

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