Columbus Consolidated Government

Council Meeting Agenda Item

то:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network BOOST Grant Summer 2024. "Building Opportunities for Out of School Time"
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to apply for a grant and, if awarded, accept a grant valued at approximately \$60,000.00 or the amount awarded and amend the Multi-governmental Fund by the amount awarded. The funds will assist the City in administering programs to keep youth productively engaged and off the streets during the summer break.
INITIATED BY:	Parks and Recreation Department

<u>Recommendation</u>: Approval is requested to apply for a grant and, if awarded, accept a grant valued at approximately \$60,000.00 or the amount awarded, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund by the amount awarded. The funds will assist the City in administering programs to keep youth productively engaged and off the streets during the summer break.

Background: The Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network BOOST grant Summer 2024 was developed with the motto, "Building Opportunities for Out of School Time." It is an enhancement to the time-proven programs for youth to help keep them productive, engaged, and away from negative influences while out of school during the summer break.

<u>Analysis:</u> In its first year, the BOOST grant provided necessary grant funding for an expanded after-school program. Summer months are a challenge in keeping youth positively engaged and the grant will allow for enhanced offerings from the City to do so.

Financial Considerations: This will be at little to no cost to the City as it is a grant with no local match requirement and will amend the Multi-governmental Fund by the amount awarded.

Legal Considerations: The Council is the approving authority for all resolutions.

Recommendation/Actions: Approval is requested to apply for a grant and, if awarded, accept a grant valued at approximately \$60,000.00 or the amount awarded, and amend the Multi-governmental Fund by the amount awarded. The funds will assist the City in administering programs to keep youth productively engaged and off the streets during the summer break.

A RESOLUTION NO.____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR THE SUMMER BOOST GRANT YEAR 3 AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT THE MONIES GRANTED BY THE GEORGIA STATEWIDE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM NETWORK "BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUT OF SCHOOL TIME" SUMMER BOOST GRANT, YEAR 3. NO LOCAL MATCH IS REQUIRED, AND THE MULTI-GOVERNMENTAL FUND WOULD BE AMENDED BY THE AMOUNT OF THE AWARD.

WHEREAS, it is known Columbus Parks & Recreation After School Programs have proven to keep at-risk youth off the streets and away from negative behavior patterns; and,

WHEREAS, having appropriate funding for after-school programs is necessary to keep these programs open and the children off the street and away from negative influences; and,

WHEREAS, the Georgia Statewide Network After School BOOST grant gives additional funds to Local Education Agencies, Non-Local Education Agencies, Charter Schools, Non-Profit, City or County government agencies, and for-profit corporations; and,

WHEREAS, that the Multi Governmental Fund is amended by the amount of the grant that is awarded; and,

WHEREAS, this grant will be of no cost to the City unless minor, mild expenditures paid out of the Parks and Recreation Community Schools Division's budget occur.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to apply for a grant and if awarded, accept a grant valued at approximately \$60,000.00 or the amount awarded, given by the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network BOOST grant Summer 2024.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____day of _____, 2024, and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

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Sandra Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor