



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE RESOLUTION

MEETING DATE: 07/21/2026

PRESENTER: Noreen Housewright, PE, CFM, Director of Public Infrastructure

TITLE: Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department ("TPWD") for directed grant funding through the Local Park Grant Non-Urban Outdoor Program for the Turner Park Improvements Project; Designating the City's Director of Public Infrastructure as being responsible for, acting for, and on behalf of the City of Grand Prairie ("City") to work with the TPWD for the purpose of participating in the Local Park Grant Program; Certifying that the City is eligible to receive program assistance; and Dedicating the proposed Project site for permanent public park and recreational uses

REVIEWING COMMITTEE: (Reviewed by the City Council Development Committee on 07/16/2026)

SUMMARY:

<i>Entity Name</i>	<i>Total Grant Amount to be Requested:</i>
Texas Parks and Wildlife	\$750,000.00

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

Staff is requesting City Council authority to pursue a Texas Parks and Wildlife grant for funding related to the Turner Park Improvements Project. The Recreation Grants Branch is housed within the State Parks Division and supports the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department mission by administering federal and state grant funds to manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. Approval to pursue this funding would align with the stated goals for Turner Park.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department requires a resolution to be adopted by local governmental bodies as part of the application process. The proposed resolution certifies that the City is eligible to receive funding under the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department under its local Park Grant Non-Urban Outdoor Program, designates the City's Director or Public Infrastructure to act on behalf of the City as it relates to the program and authorizes her to submit an application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The grant amount is for up to \$750,000.00 with \$750,000.00 match from the City.

Staff has also submitted a budget amendment for City Council's consideration to appropriate the grant funds along with the required matching funds from the City.

The City Council will hold a public hearing at the time it considers this item for approval.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Budgeted?	☐	Fund Name:	Parks CIP Fund
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* There is a concurrent agenda item requesting approval of a budget amendment to appropriate the grant funds along with the required matching funds from the City.

If Capital Improvement:					
Total Project Budget	\$1,500,000.00	Proposed New Funding:	\$1,500,000.00	Remaining Funding:	\$0.00

BODY

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT FOR DIRECTED GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE LOCAL PARK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE TURNER PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT; DESIGNATING THE CITY'S DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AS THE RESPONSIBLE PARTY FOR ACTING FOR, AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY TO WORK WITH THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE LOCAL PARK GRANT NON-URBAN OUTDOOR PROGRAM; CERTIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE; AND DEDICATING THE PROPOSED PROJECT SITE FOR PERMANENT PUBLIC PARK AND RECREATIONAL USES

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Prairie, Texas (hereinafter, the "Applicant") is listed as a directive grant recipient in the General Appropriations Act of the 89th Texas Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Prairie, Texas (hereinafter, the "Applicant") is desirous of authorizing the City's Director of Public Infrastructure to represent and act for the Applicant in dealing with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (hereinafter, the "Department") concerning the Local Park Grant Non-Urban Outdoor Program; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant is committed to providing the necessary funding to initiate and complete the project, with reimbursement to be received from the Department pursuant to Program guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. The City of Grand Prairie, Texas (hereinafter the "Applicant") hereby certifies that it is eligible to receive assistance under the Local Park Grant Non-Urban Outdoor Program (hereinafter, the "Program"), and that notice of the application has been posted according to local public hearing requirements.

SECTION 2. That the Applicant hereby authorizes and directs the City of Grand Prairie Director of Public Infrastructure to act for the Applicant to work with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (hereinafter, the "Department") for the purposes of the Program, and that the Director of Public Infrastructure is hereby officially designated as the representative in this regard.

SECTION 3. The Applicant hereby specifically authorizes the City of Grand Prairie Director of Public Infrastructure to make an application to the Department concerning the site to be known as "Turner Park Improvements" in the City of Grand Prairie for use as a park site and is hereby dedicated (or will be dedicated upon completion of the proposed acquisition) for public park and recreation purposes in perpetuity (or for the lease term if legal control is through a lease).

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 21ST DAY OF JULY 2026.