



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
RESOLUTION**

MEETING DATE: 09/03/2024

PRESENTER: Dr. Patricia Redfearn, Director, Solid Waste and Recycling Department

TITLE: Resolution authorizing the City Manager to Apply for and Accept Funding from the National Environmental Education Foundation for an International Paper National Public Lands Day Site Matching Grant in the amount of \$2,500

REVIEWING COMMITTEE: (Reviewed by the Public Safety, Health, and Environment Committee on 08/12/2024)

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

The Solid Waste and Recycling Division is seeking to apply for the National Environmental Education Foundation for an International Paper National Public Lands Day Site Matching Grant. This is a donation grant that does not require reimbursement, nor matching funds. Grand Prairie is eligible to apply for this grant because Grand Prairie International Paper is a partner of NEEF and has selected Grand Prairie to be their beneficiary.

This grant is an opportunity to support the Fall Sweep Cleanup on September 21, 2024 and to support Community Garden Updates at the Bush Community Garden, the HAVEN Community Garden, and to purchase a chipper/shredder to be used by all Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful Community Gardens. Grand Prairie International Paper will be participating in the Fall Sweep Cleanup on September 21, 2024 and the Bush Community Garden Workday on September 28, 2024.

The grant application deadline is August 21, 2024. There is not a defined deadline for project completion, though all work and purchases will conclude prior to October 31, 2024.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

This grant is a donation grant that does not require reimbursement, nor matching funds. Requested grant, if approved, will provide \$2,500.

BODY

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A PROJECT APPLICATION WITH THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR AN INTERNATIONAL PAPER NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY SITE MATCHING GRANT FOR “FALL SWEEP AND COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATES” IN THE

AMOUNT OF \$2,500; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE IN ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION; AND PLEDGING THAT IF FUNDING FOR THIS PROJECT IS RECEIVED THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE WILL COMPLY WITH ALL PROJECT REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, the National Environmental Education Foundation is providing project funding for non-profits and government entities selected as beneficiaries by their service partner, International Paper; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Prairie in the State of Texas is qualified to apply for project funds.

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

SECTION 1. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to request project funding through a National Environmental Education Foundation International Paper National Public Lands Day Site Matching Grant, act on behalf of the City of Grand Prairie in all matters related to the grant project application, and execute all contracts or documents related to the grant.

SECTION 2. If the grant project is funded, the City of Grand Prairie will comply with the grant project requirements of the National Environmental Education Foundation.

SECTION 3. The grant project funds received by the City will be allocated to support the Fall Sweep and Community Garden Updates.

SECTION 4. The grant project funds and any project-funded equipment or facilities will be used only for the purposes for which they are intended under the project.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 3rd DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.