

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: February 24, 2026

DEPARTMENT: Leisure Services

TITLE:

FY 2025 Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) Grant Acceptance

SUMMARY:

FRDAP grant for NW Ballfield # 5 lighting was approved for application, however, the City Commission must approve accepting the \$200,000 grant and the subsequent price matching that is already allocated in ARPA funds.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

The project is funded through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) with FDRAP grant dollars. The origins of this grant date back to 2023, when the former Leisure Services Director requested \$200,000 in ARPA funding to cover the required local match. At that time, lighting improvements at NW Ballfields (Fields 1–4) had already been completed at a total cost of \$656,611.00. Those improvements were funded entirely with ARPA dollars.

In 2025, the new Leisure Services Director determined that an additional \$400,000 in lighting improvements at NW Ballfields was unnecessary, as the prior work had already met the required illumination standards. In an effort to preserve the funding, Leisure Services requested approval to redirect the funds toward landscaping and tree installation. FDEP denied this request.

Subsequently, a revised scope of work totaling \$275,000 was submitted, consisting of \$137,500 in FDEP funding and a \$137,500 local cost share. After review, FDEP determined that the revised scope did not require rescoring and maintained the original award amount of \$200,000 in FDEP funds with a \$200,000 local match requirement. This local match is allocated in the City's approved budget for FY26.

Accordingly, the FY26 CIP allocation of \$175,000 for NW Ballfield LED Lighting could be reallocated, as this project will be funded through the separate grant and local match allocation.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove accepting the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) grant matching of \$200,000.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis
October 23, 2023 Staff Report
Agreement

FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

| Fiscal Years | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Inflows/Revenues | | | | | |
| Appropriated (Budgeted) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Program Income | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grants | \$200,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| In Kind | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Outflows/Expenditures | | | | | |
| Appropriated (Budgeted) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Operating | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Capital | \$200,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Net Fiscal Impact <i>(If not budgeted)</i> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No. of Addn'l Full-Time Employee Positions | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| New Appropriation (Not Budgeted) Fiscal Impact: | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Revenue Source | Expenditure |
| Department | Federal Grants | Capital Project Fund |
| Division | n/a | Parks and Recreation |
| GL Description | Federal Grants/Culture Recreation | Improvement other than Building |
| GL Account Number | 180-0000-331-70-00 | 301-8060-572.63-63 |
| Project Number | N/A | TBD |
| Awarded Funds | \$200,000 | \$200,000 |
| Remaining Balance | N/A | N/A |