



Date: May 23, 2023

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Blake Kloczl, Engineering Technician II

Title: **Resolution Approving the Recreational Trails Program Grant Application for the Riverview Sports Park Trail Connection Project**

Jen Callaway, Town Manager

Recommended Action: Council adopt Resolution 2023-27 authorizing staff to apply for the Federal Recreational Trails Program grant for the Riverview Sports Park Trail Connection Project.

Discussion: The Riverview Sports Park Trail Connection Project proposes to connect the existing Truckee River Legacy Trail and the existing Joerger Ranch Trail with a 10-foot wide, paved asphalt trail (see figure in **Attachment 1**). The existing connection between these two trails consists of an indirect route through a parking lot along the sports fields, often resulting in user conflicts. The new trail connection is proposed to be on the eastern side of the Riverview Sports Park on property owned by the Truckee Sanitary District (TSD) (APN 019-440-097).

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grant is administered by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation and is funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Highway Administration. The RTP provides funds to local governments to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses. The Riverview Sports Park Trail Connection would be an eligible project under the RTP program. This program has a 12 percent match requirement and so staff is recommending that the Council adopt the attached Resolution 2023-27 (**Attachment 2**), requesting \$660,000 in grant funds (88 percent of the total \$750,000 cost).

This grant also requires a letter from TSD ensuring an easement will be granted for the construction and maintenance of the trail connection. TSD staff has expressed a willingness to provide a letter which is currently under review and expected to be received prior to the grant application due date of June 15, 2023.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure Investment | <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency and Wildfire Preparedness | <input type="checkbox"/> Core Service |

Fiscal Impact: Although the Riverview Sports Park Trail Connection Project is not currently in the adopted budget, it is included in the draft Fiscal Year 23/24 budget. If successful, the grant program addressed in this staff report would fund a total of \$660,000 with the Town-funded portion decreasing to \$90,000 or 12 percent of the total cost. Measure R could potentially be used to fund this match.

Public Communication: Agenda Posting and communication with Truckee Sanitary District.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Draft Trail Alignment Figure

Attachment 2 – Resolution 2023-27 authorizing the staff to apply for the Federal Recreational Trails Program grant