



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
STAFF REPORT**

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| Meeting Date: March 4, 2024 | | Subject: Resolution No. 3128 Oregon State Parks Local Government Grant Program | |
| | | Staff Member: Dustin Schull, Parks Supervisor | |
| | | Department: Parks and Recreation | |
| Action Required | | Advisory Board/Commission Recommendation | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance 1 st Reading Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance 2 nd Reading Date: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Information or Direction <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Council Direction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent Agenda | | <input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Denial <input type="checkbox"/> None Forwarded <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable Comments: N/A | |
| Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends Council adopt the Consent Agenda. | | | |
| Recommended Language for Motion: I move to adopt the Consent Agenda. | | | |
| Project / Issue Relates To: Pursuing a grant from Oregon State Parks | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Council Goals/Priorities: | <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted Master Plan(s): | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable | |

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

The Parks and Recreation Department is interested in submitting an application to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for the Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) to replace the playground at Memorial Park. Per the grant requirements, a resolution authorizing staff to pursue the grant for the playground replacement project must be approved by the City Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Memorial Park playground replacement project will replace the primary traditional playground in Memorial Park. The current playground has needed significant repair and upkeep over the last several years. The community’s high usage of Memorial Park paired with the current playground’s lack of accessible amenities make the replacement of this playground a priority in the Wilsonville parks system.

The estimated total cost of the project is \$1,100,000. Staff is seeking two grants that would potentially cover 100% of the project costs. Funding for the City’s 50% match, if needed, will be included in the City’s fiscal year 2024-25 proposed budget.

EXPECTED RESULTS:

Applying for the grant would allow the Parks and Recreation team to submit an application to the LGGP. If the application is successful, the funds would help to build a new, inclusive focused playground in Memorial Park.

The new playground aligns with the 2015 Memorial Park Master Plan by utilizing the existing footprint. A new playground will offer inclusion for the community as well as a reduction in playground closures for maintenance and repair.

TIMELINE:

The grant application is due April 1, 2024 with scoring and ranking to be conducted by the LGGP advisory committee in June. If the project is selected the funds would be made available following the scoring and ranking process.

CURRENT YEAR BUDGET IMPACTS:

No budget impact for the current fiscal year. This grant does require a minimum 50% match, which will be funded out of the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget. The 50% match may also come from other grant applications including the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The Parks and Recreation Team has concurrently submitted a grant application to the LWCF process.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROCESS:

The Memorial Park Masterplan highlighted the need for a protected playground given the site’s close proximity to the athletic fields. The current playground design blends the Masterplan’s focus on safety and City Council’s current vision and values related to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS OR BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY:

The Memorial Park Playground replacement project will benefit all members of the Wilsonville community by ensuring there is an inclusive and safe playground option in Memorial Park.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is to not pursue the LGGP grant and wait until it is financially feasible for the City

to fully fund the project.

CITY MANAGER COMMENT:

N/A

ATTACHMENT:

1. Resolution No. 3128
2. Playground Preliminary Design