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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	27393	Agenda Number	15.
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Meeting Date:	10/3/2013	Department:	Parks and Recreation
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the Parks and Recreation Department's application for up to \$500,000 in grant funding from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Boating Access Grant to improve facilities and resources at Walsh Boat Landing and committing to providing matching funds, as required.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$500,000 is available from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The City match will be 25% of all granted funds. Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department to meet matching requirements.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Elizabeth Richard 512-974-6790; Marty Stump 512-974-9460; April Shaw 512-974-6716.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The City of Austin, Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) is fully eligible to receive assistance under the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) Boating Access Grant Program. In order to apply for this grant, TPWD requires that the City Council approve this resolution acknowledging their awareness and approval of PARD's application.

By this action the City Council will authorize PARD to file a grant application for \$500,000 with the TPWD for this Boating Access Grant. The City will match 25% of all granted funds.

If granted, funding will be used to improve Walsh Boat Landing in the City of Austin, Travis County for use as a park. Walsh Boat Landing is dedicated for public park and recreational purposes in perpetuity.

The authorized official to represent and act for the City in dealing with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department concerning this program shall be Sara Hensley, Director of Austin Parks and Recreation Department.

A copy of the grant application will be submitted to the Capital Area Council of Governments Texas Review and Comment System (TRACS) before submission to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

All Department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.