

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 70155 Agenda Number 13.

Meeting Date: 5/4/2017 Department: Parks and Recreation

Subject

Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20160914-001) to accept grant funds in the amount of \$500,000; and amending the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Parks and Recreation Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20160914-002) to transfer in and appropriate \$500,000 from the Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Urban Indoor Recreation Grant Program for the Dove Springs Recreation Center expansion.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$500,000 is available from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Urban Indoor Recreation Grant Program and \$500,000 required city-match is available from Proposition 14 of the 2012 G.O. Bond Program.

Fiscal Note	
A fiscal note is attached.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	Resolution No. 20160922-033 authorizing PARD application for up to \$500,000 in grant funding from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Local Park Urban Indoor Grant Program for Dove Springs Recreation Center Expansion.
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Related Items:	
Additional Backup Information	

The Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) received \$1.75 million under the 2012 General Obligation (GO) bond program for the expansion of the Dove Springs Recreation Center. After a thorough public engagement effort, the project team proposes to move forward with a 3,000 square foot building addition as well as an extensive interior renovation of existing space for expanded programming and administrative use. PARD seeks to leverage the existing funding to allow for a more significant construction budget as the team prepares for bid release.

Grant match funding will be utilized to deliver additional multi-purpose fitness space, a computer lab, as well as a new commercial grade kitchen which will better accommodate existing meal programs and future nutrition-based programming. Expanded areas will better accommodate a growing community demand for fitness programs and meeting areas. Based on current construction estimates, the grant supplement is necessary to deliver the design as supported by community stakeholders and advisory groups.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) Local Park Urban Indoor Grant Program is available to cities and counties with populations over 500,000 for the acquisition and development of parkland. The timeframe of the grant is three years with an anticipated start date of September 1, 2017, although the actual start date of the grant is contingent upon TPWD review and award.

Leveraging of this \$500,000 grant funding from TPWD with other City funding sources will help deliver the designed improvements to this PARD facility.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the Parks and Recreation Department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.