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RESOLUTION 31305

1 A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Parks and Recreation; authorizing grant
2 applications to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office for federal
3 funding assistance to support two projects submitted under the Land and Water
4 Conservation Fund (LWCF) program as provided in the LWCF Act of 1965, as
5 amended.

6 WHEREAS, under the provisions of LWCF, federal funding assistance is requested to aid in
7 financing the cost of facility development; and

8 WHEREAS, the Kinnear Park Renovation and the Highland Park Spray Park Development
9 projects are included in the Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) 2011 -
2016 Capital Improvement Program; and

10 WHEREAS, DPR believes that these projects meet the stated criteria for grant funding under the
11 terms established by the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO),
12 and any funding received from the RCO will be used for the implementation of the
referenced projects; and

13 WHEREAS, the City of Seattle (City) considers it in the best public interest to complete the
14 development projects described in the application and acknowledges its responsibility for
15 supporting all non-cash commitments (if applicable) to the projects should they not
materialize; and

16 WHEREAS, the City acknowledges that RCO grants, if approved, will be paid on a
17 reimbursement basis, meaning that the City may request payment only after eligible and
allowable costs have already been paid and remitted to vendors; and

18 WHEREAS, the City owns the sites and intends to develop or improve them for recreational
19 purposes; and

20 WHEREAS, any funds received from the RCO will be used for the sole purpose stated in the
21 City's grant applications to the RCO; and

22 WHEREAS, the City assures that any property acquired or facility developed with financial aid
23 from the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) must be placed in use for
24 the funded purpose, and be retained in such use in perpetuity unless otherwise provided
and agreed to by the City, RCFB, and the National Park Service; and

25 WHEREAS, the City acknowledge that LWCF grants are federal funds and, as such, the City
26 must comply with all applicable federal laws; and



1 WHEREAS, this Resolution becomes a part of a formal application to the RCO; NOW,
2 THEREFORE,

3 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE**
4 **MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**
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6 Section 1. The Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, is hereby
7 authorized to submit applications for and on behalf of the City of Seattle (City), in such
8 counterparts as are necessary, to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office
9 (RCO), for financial assistance in the amount set forth in the "Grant Request" column below:
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11 Proposed CIP Projects	RCO Program Category	Grant Request	Match	Total
12 Kinneer Park Renovation (K730150)	LWCF	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
14 Highland Park Spray Park Development (K730118)	LWCF	\$100,000	\$635,000	\$735,000
16 Totals:		\$600,000	\$1,135,000	\$1,735,000

17 The \$600,000 of RCO grants require a dollar for dollar match. Projects may require additional
18 appropriations from the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy Fund.
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20 Section 2. The Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, is further
21 authorized to act as the representative of the City to provide such information and documents as
22 may be required in connection therewith.
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FISCAL NOTE FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS ONLY

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Legislation Title:

A RESOLUTION relating to the Department of Parks and Recreation; authorizing grant applications to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office for federal funding assistance to support two projects submitted under the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) program as provided in the LWCF Act of 1965, as amended.

Summary and background of the Legislation:

This proposed legislation authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to submit grant applications to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for federal funding assistance in the amount of \$600,000 to support the projects listed below. This resolution is required as part of the formal RCO grant application process. In order for DPR to be eligible to apply for the grants, the resolution must be adopted by the City Council and signed by the Mayor no later than August 12, 2011.

DPR regularly applies for RCO grants each year and has garnered a strong success rate in securing additional funding for planned capital projects. In 2011, DPR will complete RCO applications in the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The total funding request will be for \$600,000, divided between the Kinneer Park Renovation project (\$500,000) and the Highland Park Spray Park Development project (\$100,000).

The RCO grants requires a local match, and will only fund projects that are included in the Department's Comprehensive Plan (Seattle Parks and Recreation Plan 2000). These two recommended projects meet both criteria. RCO will announce the grant award recommendations in November 2011, but the actual grant awards will not be allocated until 2012. DPR's required matching funds for the two projects have been appropriated through the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy.

Project Name:	Project I.D.:	Project Location:	Start Date:	End Date:
Kinneer Park Renovation	K730150	Queen Anne	2012	2013
Highland Park Spray Park Development	K730118	West Seattle	2012	2012



Please check any of the following that apply:

This legislation creates, funds, or anticipates a new CIP Project.
(Please note whether the current CIP is being amended through this legislation, or provide the Ordinance or Council Bill number of the separate legislation that has amended/is amending the CIP.)

This legislation does not have any financial implications.
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This legislation has financial implications. (Please complete all relevant sections that follow.)

Appropriations:

Fund Name and Number	Department	Budget Control Level*	Existing 2010 Appropriation	New 2011 Appropriation (if any)	2012 Anticipated Appropriation
TOTAL	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Appropriations Notes:

There are no appropriations requested as a result of this legislation. This proposed legislation only grants DPR the approval to apply for the RCO grants. Appropriation for grant match occurred in previous 2008 Opportunity Fund legislation passed by Council in April 2011 (Ordinance 123581).



Spending Plan and Future Appropriations for Capital Projects:

Spending Plan and Budget	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Spending Plan							
Current Year Appropriation							
Future Appropriations	N/A						

Spending Plan and Budget Notes:

These grant funds require a one to one match. If received, they will cover a portion of the cost of the projects below. If the grants are awarded, the spending plans and funding for the projects will be detailed in the future legislation requesting appropriation:

1. Kinnear Park Renovation Project (grant request \$500,000)

This project, part of the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy, restores health to 10.8 acres of a 100-year-old urban forest in Lower Kinnear Park located in Queen Anne and activates park land with community programming. It will create a 3,918 linear foot (.74 mile) trail system through the park connecting several neighborhoods and a missing link for city-wide connectivity. The project includes transforming the tennis court that has been part of the park since 1948 into a multi-sport court; increased ADA access to a view point and picnic area; interpretive signage, and a reforestation plan. The Levy Opportunity Fund provides \$750,000 for this project and will provide the match all of which is appropriated in the 2011 CIP Budget.

2. Highland Park Spray Park Development (grant request \$100,000)

This project converts an existing wading pool into a spray park at Highland Park located in West Seattle. The 4,000 square foot park will include a fully automatic system of spray and streaming water features with a re-circulating water system providing a better play experience and water conservation. Other elements include ADA accessibility, long-term maintenance, and reduced operation costs. The Spray Park will provide unique play for all children, including those with physical disabilities. Funding for the project and the grant match is \$635,000 and includes:

- \$200,000 from the Levy Spray Park Program;
- \$402,000 from the Levy inflation adjustment for development projects; and
- \$33,000 from a grant from Seattle Public Utilities Water Smart Technology Financial Incentive Program

Of the total project budget \$602,000 has been appropriated in the 2011 CIP Budget and the rest will be included in the 2012 CIP Budget.



Funding Source: N/A

Funding Source (Fund Name and Number, if applicable)	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
TOTAL	N/A						

Funding Source Notes:

Bond Financing Required: N/A

Type	Amount	Assumed Interest Rate	Term	Timing	Expected Annual Debt Service/Payment
TOTAL	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Bond Notes:

Uses and Sources for Operation and Maintenance Costs for the Project: N/A

O&M	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Uses							
Start Up							
On-going							
Sources (itemize)	N/A						

Operation and Maintenance Notes:

The grant funding is not expected to substantially increase the O&M costs for these projects. O & M funding for Kinneer Park renovation was included in Council Bill 117122 approved by the City Council on March 14, 2011, and the additional renovation provided for by the grant funding will not significantly increase the O & M need. O & M funding for the Highland Park Spray Park Development project was included in Council Bill 117150 approved by the City Council on April 25, 2011, and as with Kinneer Park, the increased size of the spray park provided for by the grant funding will not significantly increase the O & M need.

Periodic Major Maintenance Costs for the Project: N/A

Major Maintenance Item	Frequency	Cost	Likely Funding Source
TOTAL	N/A	N/A	N/A

Funding sources for replacement of project: N/A



Total Regular Positions Created, Modified, or Abrogated through this Legislation, Including FTE Impact: N/A

Position Title and Department*	Position # for Existing Positions	Fund Name & #	PT/FT	2011 Positions	2011 FTE	2012 Positions **	2012 FTE **
TOTAL	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Position Notes:

Do positions sunset in the future? N/A

What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?

DPR would not be eligible to apply for RCO grant funding in the 2011 cycle and could forego up to \$600,000 in potential grants. The project scopes would have to be reduced or another fund source identified to accommodate the loss of the anticipated grant funding.

Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?

No

What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?

At this time, there are no other viable alternatives except to try to secure other grants. This would consume additional staff time and effort and possibly delay the projects. Grants of this magnitude are rare.

Is the legislation subject to public hearing requirements?

No

Other Issues:

None

List attachments to the fiscal note below:

None





City of Seattle
Office of the Mayor

June 21, 2011

Honorable Richard Conlin
President
Seattle City Council
City Hall, 2nd Floor

Dear Council President Conlin:

I am pleased to transmit the attached proposed Resolution, which authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to submit grant applications to the State of Washington's Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO). Seattle's total grant request of \$600,000 will support the renovation and reforestation of Lower Kinneer Park in Queen Anne and the Highland Park Spray Park Development project in West Seattle.

The City's match for these grants would come primarily from the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy Fund. The applications for these grants are due by August 12, 2011, and the RCO will announce its award determinations in November 2011.

Adoption of this legislation will allow the City to comply with RCO's requirement for a Resolution to be submitted with grant applications. Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. Should you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Simmons at 684-8003.

Sincerely,

Michael McGinn
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Honorable Members of the Seattle City Council

