



# Legislation Details (With Text)

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Title: Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to City Council Authorizing the Application and

Acceptance, if Awarded, of a Collin County Parks and Open Space Project Funding Assistance

Program for the Gray Branch Trail Project and Other Improvements

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**COUNCIL GOAL:** Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney

(5A: Create affordable recreational and cultural arts activities for all ages

throughout the city)

(5B: Develop Parks strategy to preserve green space for future park land) (5C: Continue to market and highlight McKinney as a unique destination for

residents and visitors alike)

(5E: Develop sustainable quality of life improvements within the City of

McKinnev)

MEETING DATE: June 8, 2023

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation

**CONTACT:** Michael Kowski, Director of Parks and Recreation

### RECOMMENDED PARK BOARD ACTION:

Approval of the Recommendation.

#### ITEM SUMMARY:

 This item authorizes the application for and acceptance of, if awarded, a Collin County Parks and Open Space Funding Assistance Program grant for the Gray Branch trail project and other related improvements.

• The application submission deadline to Collin County is July 10, 2023, with an award

announcement in October of this year.

- This project will include land acquisition along Wilson Creek for a 12' concrete trail undergrade
  crossing at US380 and Wilson Creek. The trail will connect to the existing hike and bike trails
  through Auburn Hills and provide a trail through the box culvert at US380 into Gray Branch
  Park. The concrete trail will terminate at a parking lot that will be designated as a trail head for
  the Wilson Creek trails.
- Together the undergrade crossing and proposed trail head parking will provide patrons a trail
  connection to the existing hike and bike trails within Auburn Hills and provide the residents of
  Auburn Hills pedestrian access to the nature trails within Gray Branch.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- Upon award, the project will be ready to begin negotiations to acquire the needed pedestrian public access easements. Followed by the design of the trail project utilizing a landscape architect from the City's approved vendor list.
- This project will continue the linear park and trail system along Wilson Creek, the spine of our parks and trails.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

• This funding program requires a 50% match from the City. Staff is still evaluating the exact grant request amount, which will be determined when this item goes to Council.