

Legislation Text

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Consider/Discuss/Act on a Project Grant Application Submitted by McKinney Parks Foundation (#23-10) in the Amount of Twenty-Five Thousand and NO/100 Dollars (\$25,000.00) to Fund Purchase of a Polaris Texas Edition Ranger Utility Terrain Vehicle to Facilitate Trail Improvement Projects. Amount Requested Represents 100% of Total Project Cost.

COUNCIL GOAL: 5: Enhance Quality of Life in McKinney
5B: Create affordable recreational and cultural arts activities for all ages throughout the city.

MEETING DATE: August 24, 2023

DEPARTMENT: McKinney Community Development Corporation

CONTACT: Cindy Schneible, President

ITEM SUMMARY:

- The McKinney Community Development Corporation will conduct a public hearing on the project grant application submitted by the McKinney Parks Foundation in the amount of \$25,000 to purchase a Polaris Texas Edition Ranger Utility Terrain Vehicle.
- This vehicle will allow MPF volunteers to be better mobilized to maintain the current trail at Gray Branch.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Support for McKinney parks and recreational facilities is a strategic priority for the MCDC board of directors.
- The McKinney Parks Foundation has been in existence since 2017 and has three main functions: organizing volunteers to help with parks projects; encourage resident engagement in park activities and programs; provide a structure for organizing educational opportunities about the natural environment.
- MPF is recognized as the Trail Steward organization for the Community Center nature Trail and has put in more than 100 volunteer hours to restore, manage and expand the trail.
- MPF coordinates teams of volunteers to work on park projects such maintenance of hike and bike trails, building nature trails, upkeep of parks and open spaces and adding amenities.
- MPF partners with other local organizations such as Master Naturalists, Crape Myrtle Trails Foundation and DORBA to fulfill its mission.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- Funds allocated for MCDC discretionary Project Grants for FY23 total \$2,177,223.00, and \$74,885.50 in discretionary funds remain.
- Additional funds are available via budget transfer.
- The request is eligible for MCDC consideration under Section 505.152 of the Texas Local Government Code.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

- Application Packet
- Presentation