

TITLE: Consider/Discuss/Act on a Resolution Authorizing the Application and Acceptance, if Awarded, of a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Local Park Program Grant for Old Settler's Park Renovation Project

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 McKinney) (5F: Maximize partnerships between the City of McKinney and private industry)

- MEETING DATE: October 20, 2020
- **DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation
- **CONTACT:** Michael Kowski, Director of Parks and Recreation

RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

• Approval of the Resolution.

ITEM SUMMARY:

- The proposed Resolution authorizes the application for and acceptance of, if awarded, a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Local Park Program Grant for the Construction of the Old Settler's Park Renovation Project.
- This phase of the project is planned to deliver an all-abilities splash park, large community playground and fitness area, Aquatic center renovations, linear retention/detention pond, parking lot, picnic facilities/pavilion, restrooms, and basketball court.
- The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting grant assistance in the

amount of \$750,000.

- This funding program requires a 50% match from the City.
- Project funding will come from the Old Settler's Park Renovation Project (PK2041) that is an active Capital Improvements Program funded by the McKinney Community Development Corporation and voter authorized bonds
- The application submission deadline to Texas Parks & Wildlife for consideration is November 6, 2020, with an award announcement in Summer of 2021.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Old Settler's is one of the oldest parks in McKinney, the latest renovations were made in 1996 and included a playground, pavilion, hike and bike trail, a bridge and restoration of an existing pavilion. The amenities are dated and in need of replacements.
- This park is heavily used by the neighborhood residents and students of the adjacent elementary school.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- The grant will be awarded in FY21.
- The funding source for the matching funds for this grant application is \$750,000 from PK2041.

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

• This grant submission was discussed at the October 8th Park Board meeting.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

Resolution