

### **Board of Aldermen Request for Action**

MEETING DATE: 2/7/2023 DEPARTMENT: Public Works/Parks and

Recreation

**AGENDA ITEM:** Resolution 1178 – Acknowledgement of Recreational Trails Program

(RTP) Grant Application

#### **REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:**

A motion to approve Resolution1178, acknowledging the Board of Aldermen support of the 2023 RTP Grant Application.

#### **SUMMARY:**

The City is submitting an application for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources which requires a resolution of support by the Governing body. The City submitted an application for the RTP grant in 2022, but was not awarded.

The City is applying for federal assistance from the RTP to assist in the funding for The OK Railroad Trail Phase I Project. The trail would be 2,230 ft (0.42 miles). The trail will be a 10-foot-wide concrete path, with a 4-foot-wide lime screening running path.

This project will connect to the Diamond Crest, Clay Creek and Lake Meadows neighborhoods. The trail would allow for users to safely access Diamond Crest Park by walking, running, or biking. Amenities along the trail would be benches, a water fountain, and a pedestrian counter.

This is the first phase of connecting Diamond Crest, Clay Creek, and Lake Meadows to the Eagle Heights Elementary School by trail. Phase II and III involves obtaining easements from the Lake Meadows HOA and Landowners. The Diamond Crest Trail is recognized in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, and in the soon to be Transportation Master Plan.

#### **Estimated Budget**

Item	Cost Per Unit	Total Cost of Item
Mobilization/Grading	\$50,000	\$50,000
10" Trail (2,500 SY)	\$60	\$150,000
4" Lime Screening Running Path (1,000 SY)	\$35	\$35,000
Pedestrian Counter	\$5,000	\$5,000
Bench (2)	\$1,225	\$2,500
Water Fountain	\$14,000	\$14,000
<b>Total Construction Cost</b>		\$256,500

Estimated Engineering Cost (not covered by RTP grant)	\$40,000
Total Project Cost	\$296,500

Funding Source	Amount	Percentage of Construction Cost
City	\$75,000	29%
RTP Grant	\$181,000	71%

The total City cost will be \$115,000, which includes the City portion of the construction costs and the estimated engineering costs.

Please note that the application details will likely change before the February 23 submittal deadline. Due to the timing of Board meetings, this resolution must be approved before the application is finalized. The proposed project will be posted on the City website, the City's Facebook Page, Parks and Recreation's Facebook Page, and Next Door for public comment. Staff will be submitting a draft application for review and will have time to make necessary changes before the deadline.

#### **PREVIOUS ACTION:**

Board approved a resolution on January 18, 2022

#### **POLICY OBJECTIVE:**

N/A

#### FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The maximum amount awarded to the public for trail projects is \$250,000. The City must provide a 20% match to the amount awarded. If awarded, the sponsorship for this project will be identified in the FY23 Budget. The estimated City cost is \$115,000. If the grant is not awarded, this project will be delayed until funding is identified in the CIP or other grant opportunities arise.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

□ Ordinance	□ Contract
□ Resolution	☐ Plans
☐ Staff Report	☐ Minutes
☐ Other: Map	

#### **RESOLUTION 1178**

# A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING BOARD OF ALDERMEN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT THROUGH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

WHEREAS, the City of Smithville desires to expand its trail system; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Smithville is applying for federal assistance from the Recreational Trails Program for the purpose of The OK Railroad Trail.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

**THAT**, the Mayor of the City of Smithville is authorized to sign the application for federal assistance and any other official project documents that are necessary to obtain such assistance, including any agreements, contracts or other documents that are required by the State of Missouri or the Federal Highway Administration.

**THAT**, the City of Smithville currently has the written commitment for the minimum 20% matching share for the project elements that are identified in the application and will allocate the necessary funds to complete the project.

**THAT**, in the event a grant is awarded, the City of Smithville will commit the necessary financial resources to operate and maintain the completed project in a safe and attractive manner for public access for at least 25 years.

**THAT**, in the event a grant is awarded, the City of Smithville is prepared to complete the project within the time period identified on the signed project agreement.

**THAT**, in the event the grant is awarded, the City of Smithville will comply with all rules and regulations of the Recreational Trails Program, applicable Executive Orders and all federal and state laws that govern the grant application during the performance of the project.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Smithville, Missouri this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.

Damien Boley, Mayor
ATTEST:
Linda Drummond, City Clerk