Memorandum

To: Mike Geisel, City Administrator

From:

Director of Parks, Recreation & Arts

10/27/2023 Date:

Re: **RD24 MUNI grant for Miracle Field renovations**



We were recently awarded a Municipal Parks Grant in Round 24 for Miracle Field and playground renovations at CVAC. The grant is for \$546,250 with a city match of at least \$28,750. Funds will not be received until FY24. We will have 18 months to complete the project. After completion, we will receive a \$546,250 reimbursement from the Municipal Parks Grant Commission.

This grant award will be reviewed by the Parks, Recreation and Arts Committee of Council November 1, 2023. If approved by the Parks, Recreation & Arts Committee of Council, I request this be sent to City Council for their approval.

I am requesting that the PRA Committee of Council 1) accept the grant award, 2) amend the FY24 budget request to include revenue and expenses relative to this project, and 3) authorize the City Administrator to execute the grant agreement. Steve Ables, Assistant Director of the grant commission, said I should receive this agreement within the next two weeks.

I request a FY24 budget amendment of \$546,250 in revenue to account code 119-000-4359 and \$585,000 in expenses to account code 119-084-5299 (parks special projects). \$585,000 represents total project cost. It includes the grant award of \$546,250 and the minimum 5% city match of \$28,750 from the grant application. It also includes an additional \$10,000 in case product or installation costs rise before we issue a PO in FY24.

I have attached for your review the grant award letter from the grant commission and a budget amendment form. Staff will begin working on the project upon City Council approval of these requests. We hope to replace the scoreboard before spring 2024, begin playground work in spring 2024 - in time for the Miracle Field spring league, and begin Miracle Field surface renovations in summer 2024, in between spring and fall Miracle Field League seasons. The surface work requires consistent temperatures above 50 degrees Fahrenheit over three weeks, so we chose summer to avoid risk of early spring cold and rain.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

October 19, 2023

TO:

Mayors of Cities Awarded Round 24 Park Grants

FROM:

Municipal Park Grant Commission, Jim Brasfield, Chairman

RE: Notice of Grant Approval

Congratulations! The grant your municipality requested was approved by the Municipal Park Grant Commission. Total grant requests in Round 24 were just over \$10 million. The Commission had \$9 million available for grant funding this year. 25 applications were submitted and 22 were approved this round. The municipalities and awarded amounts are attached.

Including this round, 454 municipal grants have been funded totaling over \$108 million. A detailed list of all the grants funded over the years can be found in the annual report available online at the Parks website http://www.muniparkgrants.org. The Commission works diligently to ensure they allocate funds the same year received to benefit your citizens as soon as possible.

Your staff will receive your agreement soon. Please have them review it carefully, obtain signatures and return it before you begin your project. Note that the time frame for completing projects has increased from 12 to 18 months, to help reduce the need for extensions. If you have any questions, contact the Municipal League Office at 314-726-4747. Thank you for participating in the Municipal Park Grant program. We appreciate all the support and hard work you and your staff put into making the program a huge success. We could not do this without your partnership!

We would like to acknowledge the dedicated service of the Advisory Committee members who volunteer their time and talents each year reviewing the applications. Their experience, professionalism and input are invaluable to our program.

Eric Gruenenfelder, Parks Director, Brentwood, Chairman Tracey Anderson, City Administrator, Maryland Heights Gerald Brown, Parks Director, Sunset Hills Chris Conway, Parks Director, Ballwin Kyle Henke, Parks Director, Kirkwood Brendan Kane, Parks Director, Bridgeton Jimmy Kirincich, Parks Director, Bellefontaine Neighbors Katy Nieman, Parks Director, Rock Hill Cheryl Thompson-Stimage, Parks Director, Florissant

cc: Chief Administrative Officers
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Commissioner Mark Perkins Ex-Officio City Administrator

Pat Kelly Grant Administrator

Round 24 Municipal Park Grants Awarded 10/19/2023

City	<u>Park</u>	Amount	Project
Ballwin	Vlasis Park	\$ 575,000	Playground renovation
Bel-Nor	Clearview Park	\$ 198,442	New playground
Black Jack	Norm McCourt Park	\$ 410,000	New playground
Bridgeton	Gentry Park	\$ 465,000	New restroom, playground
Chesterfield	Miracle Field	\$ 546,250	Field rehabilitation, new playground
Clayton	Shaw Park	\$ 525,000	Ballfield renovation
Crestwood	Whitecliff Park	\$ 465,000	New restroom, parking
Dellwood	Recreation Center	\$ 350,000	Repurpose for multi-use courts
Ellisville	Mockingbird Park	\$ 441,235	Park & playground renovation
Eureka	Community Center	\$ 465,000	Fitness equipment, building renovation
Florissant	St. Ferdinand Park	\$ 575,000	New bandshell
Hazelwood	Pershall Park	\$ 525,000	Restroom, shelter, courts
Kirkwood	Little Mitchell Park	\$ 517,025	New shelter, entryway, mister
Maryland Heights	Parkwood Park	\$ 88,736	New playgound, pickleball courts
Overland	Wild Acres Park	\$ 465,000	Lake & trail renovation, add pier
Pacific	Red Cedar Park	\$ 100,000	Visitor Center restaurant renovation
Rock Hill	Hudson School Playground	\$ 346,589	Playground renovation
St. John	Home Heights Park	\$ 92,079	Additional restroom
St. John	St. John, Home Heights, Reed Parks	\$ 317,764	Playground renovation
University City	Millar Park	\$ 575,000	Baseball field renovation
Valley Park	Meramec Levee Park	\$ 410,000	Ballfield lighting, walkways
Wildwood	Village Green Park	\$ 575,000	Restroom, plumbing

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