

CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

AGENDA DATE: April 16, 2019

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Tracy Novak, Parks and Recreation Director (212-1708)

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: District 1

STRATEGIC GOAL:

Goal 4 – Enhance El Paso's Quality of Life through Recreational, Cultural, and Educational Environments

SUBJECT:

Discussion and action on a Resolution amending the All Abilities Playground Plan and expenditure of Modular Playground Equipment funds earmarked for that purpose, to allow for funding \$200,000 towards the installation of play equipment at Thunderbird Playground, located at Jan Sumrall Memorial Trailhead.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

City Council previously took action on December 11, 2018, to accept a donation of play equipment for the Thunderbird Playground at Jan Sumrall Memorial Trailhead.

The City successfully received notification on March 20, 2019 of grant award of \$1,000,000 in matching funds from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant Program. The combined funds of \$1.25 million in QOL Bond funds with the \$1million grant (\$2.25 million) will provide more than sufficient funds to complete the three All Abilities Playgrounds identified in the Plan.

This proposed action will transfer \$200,000 to the Thunderbird Playground project, and will not affect the implementation of the All Abilities Playground Plan.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

9/18/18 – City Council approved the All Abilities Playground Plan

12/11/18 - City Council took action to accept the donation of play equipment from the Coronado Hills NA for Thunderbird Playground at Jan Sumrall Memorial Trailhead.

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

LEGAL: (if required) _____ **FINANCE:** (if required) _____

DEPARTMENT HEAD: _____

APPROVED FOR AGENDA:

CITY MANAGER: _____ **DATE:** _____

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2012 the voters of the City of El Paso, Texas (“City”) approved the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of constructing new and improved amenities for parks and recreation facilities, open space improvements, libraries, museums, the Zoo, neighborhood improvements, and cultural and performing arts facilities, to include an obligation of funds in the amounts of \$1,500,000.00 (One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) for modular play equipment in various parks in the City of El Paso; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2016, City Council approved funding for an All Abilities Playground at Ponder Park using approximately \$200,000.00 (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) in general obligation bonds for modular play equipment; and

WHEREAS, modular play equipment includes All Abilities playground equipment; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2018, City Council approved the All Abilities Playground Plan as the established list of the City of El Paso All Abilities Playground Plan for Fiscal Year 2019 through Fiscal Year 2023 and to use of the remaining obligated funds of the \$1,500,000.00 (One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) for modular play equipment in combination with any awarded grants; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2019, the City successfully received notification of a grant award of \$1,000,000.00 (One Millions Dollars) in matching funds from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant Program (“TPW”); and

WHEREAS, the combined funds of \$1.25 million (One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) in Quality of Life Bonds funds with the \$1,000,000.00 (One Million Dollars) grant from TPW will provide sufficient funds to complete the three All Abilities Playgrounds identified in the All Abilities Playground Plan for Fiscal Year 2019 through Fiscal Year 2023; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2018, City Council took action to accept the donation of modular play equipment from Coronado Hills Neighborhood Association for Thunderbird Playground at Jan Sumrall Memorial Trailhead; and

WHEREAS, City Council authorized the City Manager to identify approximately \$200,000.00 (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) in funding for the installation of the donated modular play equipment by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to reallocate \$200,000.00 (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) from the All Abilities Playground Plan to the Thunderbird Playground Project for installation of the modular play equipment donated by Coronado Hills Neighborhood Association; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS:

That the City Council approves amending the All Abilities Playground Plan to reallocate \$200,000.00 (Two Hundred Thousand Dollars) to the installation of modular play equipment at Thunderbird Playground, located at Jan Sumrall Memorial Trailhead.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

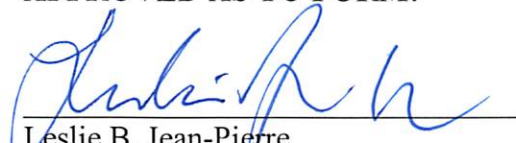
CITY OF EL PASO:

Dee Margo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Leslie B. Jean-Pierre
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Tracy Novak, Director
Parks and Recreation Department