



Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 3, 2020

Re: Parks and Recreation Appropriation/Transfer Request

Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting Council action to appropriate funds in the total amount of \$29,800 from the Park Sales Tax Fund. This includes a donation of \$25,000 from the Columbia Cosmopolitan Luncheon Club that will be used for parking lot repairs at Cosmo-Bethel Park and the Activity and Recreation Center, and \$4,800 from the Park Sales Tax Fund for ADA walkway improvements at the Activity and Recreation Center. All funds will be used to offset labor and/or materials and supplies for various projects as vetted through the City's CIP process. Details of each project are highlighted in the discussion section.

Discussion

1. In 2016, the Columbia Cosmopolitan Luncheon Club agreed to provide a \$125,000 sponsorship of the Nifong Park Improvement project by providing \$25,000 per year over a five-year period. In order to avoid designated loan fund interest rates, the department utilized a portion of the Park Sales Tax Fund balance to complete the project. The Cosmo Club's annual payment of \$25,000 is replacing the Park Sales Tax funds that would have been used for other projects. This year, the Department is requesting that the \$25,000 be appropriated to the Annual Roads and Parking Improvements capital account. The funds will be used to offset expenses associated with asphalt repairs and maintenance at the Activity & Recreation Center (ARC) and Cosmo-Bethel Park.
2. The Department is requesting \$4,800 in Park Sales Tax funding be appropriated to the ADA compliance capital project account. The funds transferred to the ADA compliance capital project account will be used for ADA walkway improvements at the Activity & Recreation Center (ARC). Contract labor will be used to replace a 250-foot long section of 5-foot wide sidewalk on the south side of the parking lot.

The appropriation from the Park Sales Tax Fund will coincide with the closing of the Oakwood Hills Park improvement project. The project is completed and in use by park patrons. The remaining balance of funds, approximately \$4,800, will be transferred back to the Park Sales Tax Fund with the closing of the project.



Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The appropriations, totaling \$29,800 from the Park Sales Tax Fund, will be used for various capital project expenditures.

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance authorizing the appropriation of funds.