Resolution 2012-122

Resolution to Accept Three 2012 Grant Awards from the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Program in the Amount of $175,000 for Elliot Park Youth Artificial Turf Soccer Field, $80,000 for Linden Hills Park Tennis Court Renovation and $200,000 for an Accessible Playground at Minnehaha Park

Whereas, The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) submitted grant applications to the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Program for recreational facility improvements at the following parks: Elliot, Painter, NSP Fields, Shingle Creek, Bethune, Linden Hills, Loring and Bohanon;

Whereas, Hennepin County, via its Youth Sports Grant Program, provides for capital funds to assist local government units of Hennepin County for the development of sport or recreation facilities; and

Whereas, The MPRB received grant awards from the Youth Sports program for field improvements at Elliot Park, tennis courts at Linden Hills Park, and an accessible playground at Minnehaha Park; and

RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners accepts three 2012 grant awards from the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant program in the amount of $175,000 for Elliot Park youth artificial turf soccer field, $80,000 for Linden Hill Park tennis court renovation and $200,000 for an accessible playground at Minnehaha Park;

RESOLVED, That the Board agrees to own and fully operate the projects for their intended purposes for the functional life of the facility which is estimated to be 20 years, and assume 100% of the operational costs for the projects;

RESOLVED, That the Board agrees to enter into necessary and required agreements with Hennepin County for the specific purpose of constructing a sport or recreational facility and programming that facility; and

RESOLVED, That the President of the Board and Secretary to the Board are authorized to take all necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.

TO: Administration & Finance Committee

FROM: Bruce Chamberlain, Assistant Superintendent for Planning

DATE: February 1, 2012

SUBJECT: Resolution to Accept Three 2012 Grant Awards from the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Program in the Amount of $175,000 for Elliot Park Youth Artificial Turf Soccer Field, $80,000 for Linden Hills Park Tennis Court Renovation and $200,000 for an Accessible Playground at Minnehaha Park

Background

This resolution accepts grants awarded to three projects of the six grant applications made to the 2012 Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant Program. The grants are as follows: $175,000 for a youth artificial turf soccer field at Elliot Park, $80,000 for renovation of four tennis courts at Linden Hills Park, and $200,000 for a new "Falls for All" accessible playground at Minnehaha Park.

The Hennepin County Youth Sports grant program is the grant program that was included in the legislation authorizing Twins Stadium funding. The grant program provides up to $2 million for each grant cycle. The Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission administers the grant program and the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners approves funding decisions.

The MPRB has been very successful in receiving grant funding from this program during its first three years. A list of grants received, including the 2012 grant applications, are shown below.

Round	Project	Grant	Match	Total
One	East Phillips Soccer, Baseball	$150,000	$50,000	$200,000
One	Stewart Artificial Soccer Field	$225,000	$75,000	$300,000
One	Van Cleve Baseball Field	$75,000	$25,000	$100,000
One	Bottineau Soccer, Baseball	$130,000	$45,000	$175,000
One	Armatage Irrigation	$40,000	$15,000	$55,000
Two	Currie Artificial Soccer Field	$295,000	$20,000	$315,000
Two	Pershing Soccer, Softball	$80,500	$25,500	$106,000
Three	Currie Soccer Field Lighting	$75,000	$25,000	$100,000
Three	NE Park Baseball Field	$300,000	$100,000	$400,000
Three	Pearl Park Baseball Field	$225,000	$75,000	$300,000
Four	Elliot Park Artificial Soccer Field	$175,000	$75,000	$250,000
Four	Linden Hills Park – Tennis Courts	$80,000	$140,000*	$220,000
Four	Minnehaha Park - Accessible Playground	$200,000	$438,600*	$648,200
TOTAL		$2,050,500	$1,119,100	$3,169,600

In addition to the $455,000 in MPRB grants approved by Hennepin County in 2012, an additional $220,000 was awarded to the Minneapolis Public School District for what will be a shared artificial turf field at Washburn High School. Through the grant application process, the Superintendent for Minneapolis Public Schools has committed to opening the Washburn Field for Park Board use.

Total funding for Minneapolis projects is $675,000 or 35% of the total amount granted in 2012.

Prior Board Action

Board Approval of the Grant Submissions on October 5, 2011.

Recommendation

Staff recommends acceptance of three 2012 grant awards from the Hennepin County Youth Sports Grant program in the amount of $175,000 for Elliot Park youth artificial turf soccer field, $80,000 for Linden Hill Park tennis court renovation and $200,000 for an accessible playground at Minnehaha Park.

Staff further recommends that the Board agree to own and fully operate the projects for their intended purposes for the functional life of the facility which is estimated to be 20 years, assume 100% of the operational costs for the projects, and enter into necessary and required agreements with Hennepin County for the specific purpose of constructing a sport or recreational facility and programming that facility.

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