

Community Development Committee

Meeting date: August 17, 2015

For the Management Committee meeting of August 26, 2015

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of September 9, 2015

Subject: Authorization to Amend the 2015 Unified Budget—Third Quarter Amendment

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statute 473.315 for Parks Capital Budget

Staff Prepared/Presented: Mark VanderSchaaf, Regional Planning Director (651-602-1441)

Division/Department: Community Development/ Regional Parks and Natural Resources

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the amendment of the 2015 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached table.

Background

The proposed budget amendment includes the following changes to the 2015 Parks capital budget as part of the 2015 Third Quarter amendment:

Decreasing Funding Commitments

The proposed amendment decreases the total authorization in the Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund land acquisition account by \$5,040 to remove state fiscal year 2013 state funding that has lapsed and is no longer available for grants.

Increasing Funding Commitments

The proposed amendment includes two new grants:

1. A \$198,000 grant to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board for Theodore Wirth Regional Park, funded with 2012 state bonds and Council bonds.
2. A \$97,840 grant to Scott County for land acquisition in Blakeley Bluffs Park Reserve, funded with Council bonds in the Parks and Trails acquisition grant account. The grant reduces the available Council funds balance in the Parks and Trails acquisition grant account by \$97,840.

Change in Current Year Expenditures:

This amendment increases the 2015 Capital Budget for Parks by \$60,960.

Rationale

The amendment will allow the Council to carry out its capital improvement program and its statutory role in administering grants for regional recreation open space.

Funding

This amendment is financed with 2012 state bonds and regional bonds. The use of regional bonds was included in the fiscal analysis in the adopted 2015 capital program and this amendment has no additional fiscal impact on taxpayers.

Known Support / Opposition

The park grants are consistent with legislative and Metropolitan Council policies/requirements. There is no known opposition to the amendment.

Agency	Park/Trail	Description	CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED			PROPOSED CHANGES			AMENDED			2015 Budget	Multi-Year Authorization	
			State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total			
	PARKS AND OPEN SPACE													
												Original Adopted	\$ 36,033,796	\$ 150,983,449
												After Prior Amendments	\$ 41,728,276	\$ 169,711,053
												After This Amendment	\$ 41,789,236	\$ 169,904,013

RP=Regional Park, PR=Park Reserve, RT=Regional Trail

Reducing Funding Commitments

Beginning Balance of Unobligated Land Acquisition Opportunity Fund Grants

Account	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total
Park and Trails Legacy Fund Acquisition Account	\$ 1,153,666	\$ 1,372,650	\$ 2,526,316	\$ -	\$ (97,840)	\$ (97,840)	\$ 1,153,666	\$ 1,274,810	\$ 2,428,476	\$ (97,840)	\$ (97,840)	\$ (97,840)
Environmental Trust Fund Acquisition Account	\$ 2,503,424	\$ 1,668,283	\$ 4,171,707	\$ (3,424)	\$ (1,616)	\$ (5,040)	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 1,666,667	\$ 4,166,667	\$ (5,040)	\$ (5,040)	\$ (5,040)
Subtotal Acquisition Account Changes	\$ 3,657,090	\$ 3,040,933	\$ 6,698,023	\$ (3,424)	\$ (99,456)	\$ (102,880)	\$ 3,653,666	\$ 2,941,477	\$ 6,595,143	\$ (102,880)	\$ (102,880)	\$ (102,880)

Increasing Funding Commitments

Account	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total
Parks and Trails Legacy Fund Acquisition Account												
Scott County Blakeley Bluffs PR Acquire 29 acres at 15801 Blakeley Trail					\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ -	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840
Subtotal Parks and Trails Legacy Fund Acquisition Account	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ -	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840	\$ 97,840

Authorization for Grant Financed with 2012 State bonds and Metro Council bonds as part of 2012 State Bond Project Specific CIP

Account	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total	State	Regional	Total
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Theodore Wirth RP Design and construct trails, bridges, buildings, landscaping, parking, lighting	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 164,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 198,000	\$ 164,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 198,000	\$ 66,000	\$ 198,000	\$ 198,000
Subtotal Grant from 2012 State Bond Project Specific CIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 164,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 198,000	\$ 164,000	\$ 34,000	\$ 198,000	\$ 66,000	\$ 198,000	\$ 198,000
Subtotal New Grants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 164,000	\$ 131,840	\$ 295,840	\$ 164,000	\$ 131,840	\$ 295,840	\$ 163,840	\$ 295,840	\$ 295,840

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE TOTAL	\$ 3,657,090	\$ 3,040,933	\$ 6,698,023	\$ 160,576	\$ 32,384	\$ 192,960	\$ 3,817,666	\$ 3,073,317	\$ 6,890,983	\$ 60,960	\$ 192,960
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