

Community Development Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 25, 2018

Subject: Regional Parks Capital Grant Agreement Authorizations

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator or their designee to execute 13 grant agreements totaling \$18,777,300 with the Regional Park Implementing Agencies and Cities as indicated in and in accordance with the attached table.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Tori Dupre, Senior Planner, Parks and Natural Resources CD/MTS, presented the staff's report to the Committee. The Community Development Committee unanimously recommended approval of the proposed action with no questions or discussion at its meeting of July 16, 2018.

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Meeting date: July 16, 2018

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District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.325 and 85.53; MN Constitution, Article XI, Section 15; 2018 Unified Budget Business Item No. 2018-153

Staff Prepared/Presented: Tori Dupre, Senior Planner, Parks and Natural Resources 651-602-1621
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Division/Department: Community Development / Finance and Administration

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator or their designee to execute 13 grant agreements totaling \$18,777,300 with the Regional Park Implementing Agencies and Cities as indicated in and in accordance with the attached table.

Background

Grant agreements are required for the Council to pass through dollars for projects funded with State and Council bonds, Parks and Trails Legacy funds, and direct appropriations from the State. Projects were identified and developed following state statute and Council policy.

Rationale

The requested action will authorize the Regional Administrator or their designee to execute grant agreements on behalf of the Metropolitan Council, contingent upon Council approval of the Council's second quarter budget amendment, Business Item 2018-153.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Regional Parks funding from state appropriations and Council bonds advance Thrive outcomes of Livability by enhancing the quality of life in the region through increasing access to nature and outdoor recreation. The Council's action improves regional funding efficiency and increases accountability to support the Regional Park agency partners.

Funding

Projects are funded with State and Council bonds, Parks and Trails Legacy funds, and State appropriations to municipalities.

Known Support / Opposition

Regional Parks support these projects. There is no known opposition.

Attachment 1

Regional Parks 2018 Grants

Agency	Grant Title	Grant Amount
Anoka County	Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve Campground Maintenance Facility Construction	\$687,044
Anoka County	Bunker Hills Activities Center Outdoor Gathering Space (amendment)	\$617,298
Dakota County	Lake Byllesby Regional Park Master Plan Improvements	\$1,122,255
Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board	Minneapolis Chain of Lakes Regional Park - Kenilworth Channel Rehabilitation	\$1,400,000
Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board	Minnehaha Regional Park Pavilion Rehabilitation	\$550,000
Three Rivers Park District	Baker Park Reserve Bathroom Buildings and Boat Rental Building Renovation: Construction	\$1,316,000
Three Rivers Park District	Baker-Carver Regional Trail: Construction of 3.4 miles of Paved Trail	\$1,679,000
Washington County	Lake Elmo Park Reserve Renovations - including Pavement	\$905,703
Carver County	Lake Waconia Development (direct appropriation)	\$1,500,000
City of New Hope	Outdoor Swimming Pool (direct appropriation)	\$2,000,000
City of Saint Paul	Nature Sanctuary Visitor Center, Bruce Vento Regional Trail (direct appropriation)	\$3,000,000
Ramsey County	Lake Links Trail (direct appropriation)	\$2,600,000
City of Mahtomedi	Lake Links Trail (direct appropriation)	\$1,400,000
	Total	\$18,777,300