



City of Greensboro

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Greensboro, NC 27401

Agenda Report

File Number: 2023-245

Agenda Item# G.11.

Agenda Date: 4/17/2023. **Department:** Parks & Recreation
Meeting Type: Council Meeting **Category:** Consent Agenda

Title: 2023 -245 Resolution Authorizing Matching Grant Application for 2023 Environmental Enhancement Grant for Twin Lakes Park Area Revitalization

Council Priority: Place an 'x' in the box.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Safest City | <input type="checkbox"/> Most Skilled Workforce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easiest Place to Do Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Most Connected City |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Sports Capital | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hub of Recreation and Entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abundance of Attainable Housing | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other/Admin <u>Environmental Sustainability</u> |

Council District: 5

Public Hearing: No

Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

The Parks and Recreation Department seeks to apply for the 2023 NC Attorney General's Environmental Enhancement Grant (EEG) for the Twin Lakes Park Area Revitalization in the amount of \$132,480. The EEG contributes to the city's GSO 2040 Big Idea: Prioritizing Sustainability. The Big Idea focuses on protecting our natural resources and ensuring that residents live in a healthy environment. This project is supported by Greensboro Water Resources who will provide a 20% match of \$33,120 for the grant. City Council approval is required to apply for the joint grant application which has a deadline date of May 12, 2023.

BACKGROUND:

The study area for the Participatory Budgeting planning project is located along the Twin Lakes Tributary that drains to South Buffalo Creek and to the Cape Fear River Basin. It encompasses a total six City parcels, totaling 29.16 acres. The largest parcel (11.99 acres) south of the Cypress Park Road retains a conservation easement in perpetuity granted by Piedmont Land Conservancy. The conservation easement restrict the use of the property to be retained for its natural, scenic, aesthetic, environmental, open space, educational, and recreational values.

Vision Statement: "A Community with Endless Economic Opportunities and Exceptional Quality of Life."

Flooding is the biggest concern and most frequent hazard experienced in the Twin Lakes area. P&R and WR will work collectively to secure EEG funds to construct Phase I that include removal of the playground at Twin Lakes Park to re-established the naturalized floodplain area using floodplain pools and varying topography to increase the overall floodplain storage volume, further reducing flood risks for the residences within the study corridor.

BUDGET IMPACT:

This project is supported by Greensboro Water Resources who will provide a 20% match \$33,120 to obtain the remaining EEG funds of \$132,480 for Phase I of the Twin Lakes Park revitalization.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

Assigned if grant is received.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council resolution authorizing the EEG grant in the amount of \$132,480.