



City of Greensboro

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Agenda Report

File Number: 2023-842

Agenda Item# G.3.

Agenda Date: 12/19/2023. **Department:** Parks & Recreation
Meeting Type: Council Meeting **Category:** Consent Agenda

Title: 2023 – 842 Ordinance in the Amount of \$4,384,286 Amending State, Federal and Other Grants Fund Budget for the Appropriation of National Park Service Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program Grant for Nocho Park

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Sports Capital | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hub of Recreation and Entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abundance of Attainable Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Admin Briefly Explain 3 word maximum |

Council District: 2

Public Hearing: No

Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

The Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department has received the Outdoor Legacy Partnership Program Grant from the National Park Service, in the amount of \$4,384,286 to support Nocho Park. To accept the grant and add the appropriate matching funds to the account a budget amendment is requested from Greensboro City Council in accordance with current city fiscal procedures.

BACKGROUND:

The Parks and Recreation Department applied for the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) grant in 2022. This was a nationally competitive grant program funded through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) which offers grants specifically to help create and improve state and local parks and other outdoor recreation areas, particularly in underserved communities. The federal funds are used to help create and improve state and locally-owned park and other outdoor recreation areas in ways that will help the public to access or re-connect with the outdoors.

LWCF was established by Congress in 1964 to fulfill a bipartisan commitment to safeguard our natural areas, water resources and cultural heritage, and to provide recreation opportunities to all

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Americans. Using zero taxpayer dollars, the fund invests earnings from offshore oil and gas leasing to help strengthen communities, preserve our history and protect our national endowment of lands and waters. The LWCF program can be divided into a state side process which provides grants to state and local governments.

The grant award is for three years. Per the grant agreement, completion of the grant project is required by September 30, 2026. The Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department and Greensboro Public Libraries are in partnership for the Windsor Chavis Nocho Community Complex project which will have 100% design development completed by January 2024 and construction documents to begin during the same month.

With acceptance of this grant the funds provided will reimburse the City of Greensboro for the project scope of work that includes: replacing existing restrooms and upgrading a multi-purpose field to regulation size; replacing and relocating playground equipment with an innovative nature play area; and adding a full-size covered basketball pavilion, amphitheater, wide pathways, relaxation area including hammock poles, additional parking, sustainable landscaping, and stormwater control devices. The site will feature multiple community gathering areas with Bosque seating, picnic tables, bench seating, a shade structure, and lighting throughout.

BUDGET IMPACT:

This requested action will have no adverse impact on the City of Greensboro budget. Matching funding is available in account number 493-50-5099229 with associated budget adjustment.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

The grant award of \$4,384,286 requires a \$4,384,286 match. The ordinance will allow funds to be appropriated with account number 220-50-5098097.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council adopt the attached budget ordinance transferring funds to allow for acceptance of the grant and the matching funds of \$4,384,286 to be utilized for the grant award from the National Park Service for the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program grant for Nocho Park.