



REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: September 6, 2017

DEPARTMENT: Parks & Recreation

DIVISION: Administration

- ☒ Motion
- ☐ Resolution
- ☐ Ordinance - Introduction
- ☐ Ordinance - Adoption
- ☐ Public Hearing

TITLE:

Grant Award: National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA)

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Administrator to execute a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to accept a grant titled 'Meet Me at the Park Play Spaces Program' in the amount of \$35,000 from NRPA to create a Candy Land-inspired play space at the Joe Henry Optimist Center Park located at 1793 S. 1st Avenue.

REPORT:

The NRPA awarded the City of Yuma a \$35,000 grant to create a Candy Land-inspired play space at the Joe Henry Optimist Center Park. The grant is being matched with \$47,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding and in-kind work by the City. The CDBG funding was approved as part of the City's 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan.

The City's Parks and Recreation, Public Works, and Community Development departments will all contribute to construction of Candy Land at the park.

The NRPA grant is made possible with the support of The Walt Disney Company through the 'Meet Me at the Park Play Spaces Program'. With this funding, the City will create a mural on the north side of the gymnasium; install concrete benches that local high school students will decorate in the Candy Land theme; paint the sidewalks surrounding the playground to represent the brightly-colored Candy Land game board; and stencil games and activities on the sidewalks to encourage active and imaginative play.

The CDBG funding will be utilized to construct sidewalks that comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, install the benches and concrete pads for support, remove chain link fencing and replace a portion of the fencing with new attractive fencing, install an entranceway to mark the starting point of the game, and other park improvements as funding allows.

The Joe Henry Optimist Center Park is located in the heart of the Mesa Heights Neighborhood, and these improvements will help to achieve one of the goals outlined in the Mesa Heights Revitalization Plan: "create neighborhood-based recreational activities for youth and adults."

The MOU requires the City to complete the park's conversion by April 30, 2018, and return any unused grant funds. The MOU also authorized NRPA and the Walt Disney Company to use the City's name and/or park names, photos, and/or information in connection with the park improvements conversion for promotional or other purposes associated with the park improvements. The MOU terminates on May 1, 2018.

By approving this motion, the City Council is authorizing the City Administrator to execute a MOU with the NRPA and other grant documents and to take all actions necessary to implement and complete the activities outlined in the application.

FISCAL REQUIREMENTS	CITY FUNDS:	\$0.00	BUDGETED:	\$35,000.00
	STATE FUNDS:	\$0.00	AVAILABLE TO TRANSFER:	\$0.00
	FEDERAL FUNDS:	\$0.00	IN CONTINGENCY:	\$0.00
	OTHER SOURCES:	\$35,000.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	FUNDING FOR THIS ITEM IS FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT / FUND / CIP:	
	TOTAL:	\$35,000.00		
	FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: \$47,000. authorized by City Council through CDBG			
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	SUPPORTING INFORMATION NOT ATTACHED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ACTION FORM THAT IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK: 1. Mesa Heights Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy 2. 3. 4. 5.			
	IF CITY COUNCIL ACTION INCLUDES A CONTRACT, LEASE OR AGREEMENT, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ROUTING THE DOCUMENT FOR SIGNATURE AFTER CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Department <input type="radio"/> City Clerk's Office <input type="checkbox"/> Document to be recorded			
SIGNATURES	CITY ADMINISTRATOR:		DATE:	
	Gregory K. Wilkinson		8/30/2017	
	REVIEWED BY CITY ATTORNEY:		DATE:	
	Richard W. Files		8/29/2017	
	RECOMMENDED BY (DEPT/DIV HEAD):		DATE:	
Debbie Wendt		8/22/2017		
WRITTEN/SUBMITTED BY:		DATE:		