



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Quality of Life
AGENDA DATE: October 28, 2020
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): 5
DEPARTMENT: Park & Recreation Department
EXECUTIVE: John D. Jenkins

SUBJECT

Authorize an application for an Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for the Phase 1 development of the Crawford Memorial Park Loop Trail located at 8700 Elam Road - Financing: This action has no cost consideration to the City (see Fiscal Information)

BACKGROUND

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) administers the Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant. Funding for this program comes from a portion of the state sales tax on sporting goods through the Texas Recreation and Parks Account, the Texas Large County and Municipality Recreation and Parks Account, and from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The scoring criteria for this grant program includes: development or the extension of parks; a locally adopted and department-approved park master plan, reduction of the threat to the public availability of a conservation or recreation opportunity, location in an underserved area; and involvement of public or private cooperation and meets the goals of TPWD Land and Water Resources Conservation and Recreation Plan.

Crawford Memorial Park is a 266.2-acre metropolitan park, that was established in 1964 in the south Dallas community. Crawford Memorial Park is identified by the Dallas Park and Recreation Department as the candidate for this funding application due to its completion of a Master Plan outlining the Phase 1 development priorities.

Based on the current master plan, the scope of Phase 1 development includes exercise stations, a signature playground, public art, a picnic facility, a park pavilion, a loop trail and pedestrian bridges. The focus of this application to TPWD will be directed toward the construction of a new loop trail and two pedestrian bridges.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On October 15, 2020, the Park and Recreation Board authorized an application for the Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for the Phase 1 development of the Crawford Memorial Park Loop Trail located at 8700 Elam Road.

FISCAL INFORMATION

This action has no cost consideration to the City. The development of Crawford Memorial Park Loop Trail will utilize grant funds from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Urban Outdoor Grant Program and require a match of \$1,500,000.00 from the 2017 Bond program.

MAP

Attached