



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 240031

Submitted Department/Preparer: Parks Recreation

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Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

Executive Summary

Appropriating \$5,525,000.00 from the Unappropriated Fund Balance of the Parks Sales Tax Fund, to fund construction of the Ashland Square Park Sprayground, 9th & Van Brunt Soccer Renovations, Bruce R. Watkins Connector Community Park and Martin Luther King, Jr. Square Park Pedestrian Bridge.

Discussion

The Parks and Recreation Department has several projects planned that will support the department's mission to provide opportunities for healthy activities. Improvements at Ashland Square Park would convert the current fill-and-draw pool to a 22-feature sprayground; the 9th & Van Brunt Athletic Fields would be upgraded with synthetic turf, locker rooms, lighting, scoreboards, a press box, and bleachers. This legislation would provide \$525,000 for the upgrades to Ashland Square and \$3.0 million for upgrades to 9th & Van Brunt.

Additionally, the department wishes to complete two projects in the Brush Creek Corridor: The addition of site amenities on the north side of Brush Creek between Woodland Avenue and Benton Boulevard, as well as the installation of a pedestrian bridge across Brush Creek from Woodland Avenue to Martin Luther King, Jr. Square Park. Both projects are receiving federal funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Federal Highway Administration that requires matching funds from Kansas City Parks and Recreation. This legislation would also fulfill the match requirement by allocating \$1.0 million to each of these two projects.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? Yes No

2. What is the funding source?

Parks Sales Tax (2030) Fund Balance

3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?

This legislation does not use previously appropriated funds as it relies on a fund balance draw-down.

4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.

This legislation will impact the Parks Fund Balance and will be a one-time cost.

5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?

This legislation allows the Parks and Recreation Department to provide matching funds for projects funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Federal Highway Administration.

Office of Management and Budget Review

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. Yes No
2. This fund has a structural imbalance. Yes No
3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. Yes No

Additional Discussion (if needed)

The Parks Sales Tax Fund has Unappropriated Fund Balance available to support the proposed amount. The unreserved fund balance of the Parks Sales Tax Fund is \$19.5 million, as of January 8, 2024.

Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the [FY23 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Housing and Healthy Communities (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
 - Utilize planning approaches in neighborhoods to reduce blight, ensure sustainable housing, and improve resident wellbeing and cultural diversity.
 - Maintain and increase affordable housing supply to meet the demands of a diverse population.
 - Address the various needs of the City's most vulnerable population by working to reduce disparities.

- Foster an inclusive environment and regional approach to spur innovative solutions to housing challenges.
- Ensure all residents have safe, accessible, quality housing by reducing barriers.
- Protect and promote healthy, active amenities such as parks and trails, play spaces, and green spaces.

Prior Legislation

N/A

Service Level Impacts

These improvements will have a positive and significant health impact for all residents. Our department hears from the residents their desire for improved health opportunities and an improved quality of life. The new improvements will be diverse and will provide all residents opportunities to participate, regardless of abilities.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?

These improvements will provide residents with greater opportunities to recreate in safe, attractive environments.

2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?

Through PIAC requests, advisory committee guidance, and citizen feedback we are confident these projects will provide numerous opportunities for the public to improve their health and quality of life.

3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?

The improvements listed above will reduce resource usage, reduce storm water runoff impacts, and improve pedestrian safety. These projects will provide the residents multiple quality of life opportunities now and into the future.

4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?

No (Press tab after selecting)

This legislation does not create or preserve new housing units.

5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and

Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

Yes - I have submitted documents for CREO Review (Press tab after selecting)
Please attach or copy and paste CREO's review.

Ashland Square Park Sprayground, 9th & Van Brunt Athletic Fields Soccer Improvements and Martin Luther King, Jr. Square Park Pedestrian Bridge over Brush Creek have received CREO approval. Bruce R. Watkins Connector Community Park CREO submittals are under review.

6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?

No