

## AGENDA



Thursday, March 26, 2009

**Parks and Recreation  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 26**

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**Subject:** Approve an ordinance accepting \$99,000 in grant funds from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD); and amending the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20080908-002 to appropriate \$99,000 for the boat ramp improvements on Lake Walter E. Long (formerly known as Decker Lake) at Walter E. Long Park.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$99,000 is available from TPWD under the State Boating Access Grant Program. The City match of 25% (\$33,000) is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Special Revenue Trust and Agency Fund established for Walter E. Long Improvements.

**Fiscal Note:** A fiscal note is attached.

**For More Information:** Angela Means, Division Manager at 974-6712

**Prior Council Action:** October 23, 2008, Council passed a resolution authorizing the application for grant funding from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department State Boating Grant Program.

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The Texas Parks and Wildlife's State Boating Access Grant is a program that provides 75% matching funds for projects that increase watercraft access to Texas' lakes and waterways.

The grant of \$99,000 will allow the Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) to improve access, both regular and ADA compliant, to Lake Walter E. Long by repairing the boat launch to facilitate entry, creating an ADA accessible walkway to the boat dock and grading and resurfacing the parking areas. The PARC 25% match is budgeted in the Walter E. Long Trust & Agency.

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget Office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.