Thursday, November 19, 2009

## Parks and Recreation RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 36

**Subject:** Approve an ordinance accepting \$5,000 in grant funds from the National Parks and Recreation Association; and amending the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Parks and Recreation Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20090914-002 to appropriate \$5,000 for the Take Me Fishing Program.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Grant funding is available from the National Parks and Recreation Association and the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation: Take Me Fishing Grant Program. The grant period is October 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010. No City match is required.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached

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Prior Council Action: Approval of Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget on September 14, 2009.

The purpose of the Take Me Fishing Grant Program is to support local park and recreation agency programs that reconnect kids with nature and engage kids ages 6-15 in recreational boating and fishing. For this grant, the Parks and Recreation Department (PARD) will provide boating and fishing classes on Lady Bird Lake to youth from PARD's recreation center program participants. For this grant, over 1,000 youth will participate in fishing and boating activities.

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