

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 63002 Agenda Number 34.

Meeting Date: 9/22/2016 Department: Parks and Recreation

Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing the application for up to \$1,000,000 in grant funding from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Local Park Urban Outdoor Grant Program for the Emma Long Metropolitan Park Redevelopment.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is available from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The City match will be 50% of total approved project cost up to \$1,000,000. Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department to meet matching requirements.

FISCAL NOTE	
A fiscal note is not required.	
Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Parks and Recreation Department received \$2 million under the 2012 General Obligation Bond program for the redevelopment of Emma Long Metropolitan Park. The recently completed vision plan outlines a series of phased improvements for Emma Long, including significant enhancements to day-use and overnight camping areas with the need for infrastructure upgrades to electrical and water utilities. The Department seeks to leverage the existing bond funding to enable a more comprehensive approach to park redevelopment.

According to guidelines set forth by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in their grant application process, the Parks and Recreation Department seeks City Council authorization to apply to the Local Park Urban Outdoor Grant Program for improvements for up to \$1,000,000 in grant funding for Emma Long Metropolitan Park Redevelopment.