



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE GND DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SKATE PARK AT THE GARY NEW DULUTH RECREATION CENTER.

CITY PROPOSAL:

WHEREAS, the GND Development Alliance (the "Alliance") uses, maintains and manages the Gary New Duluth Recreation Center (the "GND Rec Center") under an agreement dated July 31, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Alliance designed plans to construct improvements at the GND Rec Center for the purpose of creating a public skate park (the "Skate Park"). The Skate Park will be completed in phases as funding is available, and the Alliance has already begun construction on certain components of the Skate Park. The Alliance desires to complete improvements on certain components within the Skate Park to create a skateable element (the "Project");

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota funded the 2021 Skate Park Grant Program through a bonding bill in October of 2020 to help Minnesota communities build, improve, and update skate parks (the "Grant");

WHEREAS, the City was authorized, under Resolution No. 21-0349, to apply for the Grant to assist with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Grant requires a minimum one-to-one dollar match from non-state sources, and the Alliance desires to provide said match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to execute a funding agreement, substantially the same as the agreement attached as Exhibit 1, with the Alliance to: (i) formalize the roles and responsibilities of the Project and parties and (ii) obligate the Alliance to provide the Match.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes a funding agreement with the GND Development Alliance (the "Alliance") for construction of the skate park at the Gary New Duluth Recreation Center to create a skateable element (the "Project"). The Project, as used in this agreement, does not include completion of the entire skate park and only relates to the creation of a skateable element.

The Project will be funded by a grant from the State of Minnesota, which requires a one-to-one match by non-state sources, and the Alliance desires to provide said match. This agreement: (i) formalizes the roles and responsibilities of the City and Alliance and (ii) obligates the Alliance to provide the match for the grant. The Project must be completed by October 15, 2022 or by the completion date required in the Grant if such date is later than October 15, 2022. In the event that the grant is not awarded to the City, the agreement will automatically terminate.

The City Council previously authorized the City to apply for the grant from the State of Minnesota on May 10, 2021 under Resolution No. 21-0349.