



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2022-0569

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Ken Elwert, Director, Parks & Natural Resources
DATE: December 12, 2022
SUBJECT: Support for Sparks Grant Application and Matching Funds for Bloomer Park Parking Lot Replacement

REQUEST:

We are requesting that the Rochester Hills City Council approve submission of a grant application (ARPA-0379) to the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Sparks Grant Program and authorize \$2,000,000 as matching funds. The grant request includes removal and rebuilding all parking lots, drives, and entrances within Bloomer Park. Cost was obtained from engineer’s estimates provided by Nowak and Fraus Engineers. Total requested grant from the MDNR is \$1,000,000. Application deadline is December 19, 2022.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

The Sparks Grant Program through the MDNR is a one-time program in 2022/2023 reserved for park projects across the State. Maximum grant request is \$1,000,000. In addition, multiple applications can be submitted, but they must be prioritized as communities will not receive more than one grant. We are also requesting Council support for another grant application today for this same program.

The parking lots at Bloomer Park are over 25 years old, and past their useful life. This lot was identified in a parking lot study conducted through Facilities as in need of replacement several years ago. These lots serve over 225,000 visits annually.

This project is included as part of the 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Plan.

BUDGET:

Funding is included in the FY 2023 Adopted Budget

Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	Budget Amount	Cost	Remaining Budget
Facilities	631.974000	FA-10B: Bloomer Park Parking Lot Rehab	\$2,875,000	\$2,000,000	\$875,000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Rochester Hills City Council approve submission of a grant application (ARPA-0379) to the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Sparks Grant Program and authorize \$2,000,000 as a matching funds for rebuilding the parking lot at Bloomer Park.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Budget Content: Chief Financial Officer		
Purchasing Process: Procurement Manager		
Mayor		
City Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney Yes N/A