

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2014-0011

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Mike Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry, Extension 2552

DATE: January 27, 2014

SUBJECT: Support for Grant Application and Matching Funds – Clinton River Trail Look & Feel

Project

REQUEST:

We are requesting that the Rochester Hills City Council approve a grant application to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) through the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Clinton River Trail Look & Feel Project with \$31,250 as the required 25% match for the \$125,000 signage and amenity package developed by the Friends of the Clinton River Trail.

BACKGROUND:

This project is in the Capital Improvement Plan – CIP #PK-10D. The Friends of the Clinton River Trail have developed a "Look & Feel" master plan to supplement the Clinton River Trail Master Plan. This plan provides guidelines for a consistent look for way-finding and identification signage and other amenities for the participating communities. This project will improve the trail by providing information and way-finding signage and will also enhance the community identity associated with the trail. If awarded, construction could begin in 2014.

In additional support, the City of Rochester Hills Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2011-2015 "action items" calls for the installation of interactive trail signage and kiosks as well as the addition of trail amenities on the Clinton River Trail.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Friends of the Clinton River Trail and the Parks & Forestry Department are requesting that City Council approve the application for a grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation and approve 25% matching funds of \$31,250, if awarded the grant, to be used for the implementation of the Look & Feel Project of signage, way-finding and trail amenities.

Funding will need to be allocated in the 2014 Facilities Division budget if awarded the grant.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Mayor		
City Council Liaison		