

# Legislative File No: 2016-0113 Version 2

TO:	Mayor and City Council Members
FROM:	Ken Elwert, CPRP, Director of Parks & Forestry, extension 2552
DATE:	July 31, 2017
SUBJECT:	Riverbend Park Development - Boardwalk & Pathways/CRT Connection Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Program Development Project Agreement 26-01774

# **REQUEST:**

The Parks & Forestry Department requests that City Council accept the terms of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Program Development Project Agreement 26-01774 between the City of Rochester Hills and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) for the Riverbend Park Development - Boardwalk & Pathways/CRT Connection. On March 14, 2016, Council gave support to the Parks & Forestry Department in the submittal of said grant application to the MDNR through their Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Program. The grant application was submitted and resulted in the MDNR offering the Development Project Agreement 26-01774.

#### **REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

The Riverbend Park Strategic Framework Plan recently approved by the Rochester Hills City Council contains many different unique amenities that will be pursued with a variety of funding sources over several years.

This specific project is recommended because (1) It provides a basic trail infrastructure that can be utilized by our residents immediately upon completion and (2) Trail development and connection to our city-wide pathway system aligns with current priorities of available State grants and (3) It provides basic amenities for the park necessary with increased usage.

This project is included as part of the 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Plan. The City of Rochester Hills Parks and Recreation Master Plan 2016-2020 identifies development of Riverbend Park as a goal.

#### PROCESS:

The Purchasing Department, using the Michigan Intergovernmental Trade Network, will obtain competitive bids for the goods and services with reimbursement at completion by the MDNR.

#### BUDGET:

Matching City Funds are available in the FY 2017 Adopted Budget.

Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	Budget Amount	Cost	Remaining Budget
Facilities	631.974000	Land Improvement	\$1,913,928.72	\$150,000	\$1,763,928.72

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

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APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
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