

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS

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TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Mike Hartner, Director of Parks & Forestry Department

DATE: March 8, 2012

SUBJECT: Grant Application for Velodrome Resurfacing

REQUEST:

We are requesting that the Rochester Hills City Council support the submittal of a grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Passport Grant Program for the purpose of resurfacing the Velodrome at Bloomer Park. The Recreation Passport Grant Program funding is derived from the optional \$10 fee on all vehicle registrations and replaces the traditional window stickers for state park access. 10% of the revenue collected goes to local park renovation and development projects such as this. The grant application deadline is April 2, 2012 and the announcement of selected projects will be in November 2012.

The Parks & Forestry Department has received a letter of commitment from Dale Hughes, owner of V-Worldwide of Rochester, Michigan to donate all labor and equipment necessary for the installation of the surface panels. This donation totaling \$15,360 of labor and equipment will be used as the required match for this program, making it cost neutral to the city. As this is a reimbursement program, the city, if awarded the grant, would competitively bid and purchase the materials with reimbursement at completion by the DNR.

BACKGROUND:

The International Velodrome at Bloomer Park is the only outdoor, 1/8 mile, wooden oval track for bike riding and racing in Michigan. The Velodrome's surface is in serious need of replacement/renovation. All labor and equipment will be donated to the project and used as the required minimum 25% match to the grant.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Parks & Forestry Department is requesting that City Council support the submittal of an application for a grant from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Recreation Passport Grant Program for the purpose of resurfacing/renovating the International Velodrome at Bloomer Park.

A resolution has been attached for your consideration.

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