OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
A resolution to authorize the City Manager to apply to the Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism's Outdoor Recreation Grants Program for 2020 grant funding for City Parks.	Ordinance √ Resolution	
Submitted By:		
Parks & Recreation Department		Bruce T. Moore City Manager
SYNOPSIS	A resolution to authorize the City Manager to apply for a grant from Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism to make renovations in MacArthur Park and Wakefield Park.	
FISCAL IMPACT	The City will provide \$250,000.00 as the "dollar-for- dollar" match for the grant. Matching funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 will be provided from the Outdoor Recreation Grant Match Account No. 108459-S45G047.	
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the resolution.	
BACKGROUND	The grant project will renovate playgrounds and related amenities in MacArthur Park and Wakefield Park, including the addition of American with Disabilities Act compliance items. If the grant is awarded, the City will be required, via an easement, to permanently maintain the parks, and if either park is ever abandoned or moved to another location, then the City will be responsible for the costs of establishing a similar park. In addition, all future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be routed away or placed underground. The project areas must remain open and available for use by public at all reasonable times of the day and year.	

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BACKGROUND CONTINUED

Facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc., but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use. The project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe, healthful manner.