



## Legislation Text

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Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to apply for and, if awarded, accept a grant in the amount of up to \$50,000 from F.R. Bigelow foundation for supporting the evaluation work within Sprockets.

WHEREAS, over 350 Saint Paul youth, teachers, parents, and small business owners contributed to Saint Paul's Framework for Youth Success which identifies the importance of both academic and non-academic youth outcomes, and

WHEREAS Sprockets, Saint Paul's Out-Of-School Time Network is committed to tracking city-wide youth outcomes associated with youth's participation in out-of-school time and connected to Saint Paul's Framework for Youth Success, and

WHEREAS research shows that high quality out-of-school time programs can result in both positive academic and non-academic outcomes for youth, and

WHEREAS developmental evaluation leader, Michael Quinn Patton, explains that developmental evaluation is designed to identify what is learned from complex social innovations, capture system dynamics and identify strategies that work and need changing, and

WHEREAS Sprockets is in a developmental phase and its strategies will be more effective in supporting young people's success if informed by a developmental evaluation; and

WHEREAS, F.R. Bigelow Foundation has grants for evaluation development which would benefit SPROCKETS; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Department of Parks and Recreation is authorized to apply for and, if awarded, accept grant funds from the F.R. Bigelow Foundation for the purpose of supporting evaluation of non-academic youth indicators and a developmental evaluation of Sprockets through the Sprockets Out-of-School Time Network.