



Legislation Text

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Accepting an Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund grant administered through the Minnesota Department of Administration, establishing a financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$432,000 for the construction of the Hmong Plaza in Phalen Regional Park, and entering into a required grant agreement (which includes an indemnification clause).

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Administration was appropriated funds from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund for a grant of \$432,000 to the City of Saint Paul to construct the Hmong Plaza at Phalen Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, there are no matching fund requirements for said grant; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation wishes to accept said grant funds and establish a financing and spending plan for said Department of Administration grant; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation will provide construction management and implementation services for the project; and

WHEREAS, the grant contains an indemnification clause and the City Council finds that there is a public purpose in providing for the betterment of our public parks facilities and that acceptance of the grant funding will enable construction of an important cultural amenity to proceed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, pursuant to Section 10.07.1 of the Charter of the City of Saint Paul, does certify that there are available for appropriation, funds of \$432,000 in excess of those estimated in the 2023 Capital Improvement Budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Saint Paul, upon recommendation of the Mayor and the advice of the Long Range Capital Improvement Budget Committee, that \$432,000 is available for appropriation in the 2023 Capital Improvement Budget, and said 2023 budget, as heretofore adopted by the Council, is hereby amended as attached; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul City Council authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept the grant and authorizes the proper City officials to execute the agreements necessary, which include an indemnification clause, to implement the project on behalf of the City.

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The CIB Committee met for their scheduled meeting time on October 9, 2023, but were not able to achieve quorum, and as such were not able to take an official vote for recommendation. The members present listened to the details of this request and the timeline and were able to ask questions, then encouraged this resolution to continue in the approval process to avoid project delays due to the recommendation process.