



## Legislation Text

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Amending the financing and spending plan in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$27,000 for STAR Grant funds received for site preparation to install anticipated sister-city gifts from Changsha, China in Phalen Regional Park.

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2016, the Neighborhood STAR board reviewed a proposal from the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society in partnership with Saint Paul Parks and Recreation for STAR grant financing through the Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program for site preparation to install anticipated sister-city gifts from Changsha, China; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation was granted \$27,000 for the China Friendship Garden project; and

WHEREAS, this project will positively impact Phalen Regional Park and the City of Saint Paul with the installation of a symbolic Hmong sculpture and replica of Changsha's famous Xiang Jiang Pavilion; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation agrees to manage and administer said funds for the China Friendship Garden project; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Parks and Recreation to amend the financing and spending budget for the project in the amount of \$27,000; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Mayor and the Saint Paul City Council to participate in the financing of these activities by providing up to \$27,000 in grant financing through the Ward 1 and City-wide Neighborhood STAR Year-Round Program; 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 \$27,000 in excess of those estimated in the 2015 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 \$27,000 is available for appropriation in the 2015 Capital Improvement Budget, and said 2015 budget, as therefore adopted by the Council, is hereby further amended.

See Attachment

The St. Paul Long-Range Capital Improvement Budget Committee received this request on March 13, 2017 and recommended approval.