

Legislation Text

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Authorizing the Department of Parks and Recreation to accept a grant from the Xcel Energy Foundation in the amount of \$5,000 to support tree and shrub planting opportunities at Como Park, Crosby Farm Regional Park, and Highwood Nature Preserve; and amending the 2012 Budget in accordance with this donation.

WHEREAS, The Saint Paul Parks Conservancy (Conservancy) is a Minnesota non-profit, 501(c)(3), organization whose mission is to enhance and expand parks and recreational opportunities throughout Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the Xcel Energy Foundation has contributed nearly \$3.9 million to support nonprofit organizations improving and enhancing the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, the Conservancy and the Department of Parks and Recreation were extended an opportunity to submit a grant proposal to the Xcel Energy Foundation's Focus Area Grants program; and

WHEREAS, the Xcel Energy Foundation has committed \$5,000 to the Conservancy to support tree and shrub planting activities at Como Park, Crosby Farm Regional Park, and the Highwood Nature Preserve; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation is seeking approval to accept this grant and also wishes to increase the financing and spending authority in its Grant and Aid fund to accurately reflect this additional revenue and spending; 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 \$5,000 in excess of those estimated in the 2012 Grants and Aid Budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Saint Paul, allow Parks and Recreation to accept a grant from the Xcel Energy Foundation and upon recommendation of the Mayor, that \$5,000 is available for appropriation in the 2012 Grant and Aid Budget, and said budget, as heretofore adopted by the Council is hereby further amended as indicated in the attached fiscal analysis form.

Please See Attachment