



Legislation Text

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Accepting funds from the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society for the Changsha China Friendship Garden project, and amending the financing and spending budget in the Department of Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$100,000 for the project.

WHEREAS, the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society has been actively working since 2010 to fundraise for construction of a cultural garden in Phalen Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the Katherine B. Andersen Fund (\$25,000), The John and Ruth Huss Fund (\$25,000), and The Saint Paul Foundation (\$50,000), \$100,000 was gifted for the Changsha China Friendship Garden project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation, wishes to accept said \$100,000 from the Minnesota China Garden Friendship Society for the project; and

WHEREAS, this project positively impacts Phalen Regional Park and the City of Saint Paul with the installation of the Xiang Jiang Pavilion (a replica of Changsha's famous Aiwan Pavilion), the Hmong Embroidery wall sculpture, and the West Entrance Arch; and

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

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Department of Parks and Recreation to amend the financing and spending budget for the project; 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 \$100,000 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 \$100,000 is available for appropriation in the 2015 Capital Improvement Budget, and said 2015 budget, as heretofore adopted by the Council, is hereby amended; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Saint Paul accepts the funds from the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society and thanks the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society for its generous gift.

See Attachment

The Saint Paul Long-Range Capital Improvement Budget Committee received this request on December 10, 2018 and recommended approval.