RESOLUTION NO. 2232

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF OREGON LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY FOR THE MONTEBELLO PARK.

WHEREAS, the Oregon parks and Recreation Department is accepting applications for the Local Government Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Community Development Department desires to participate in this grant program as a means of providing needed park and recreation improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified development of Montebello Park as a high priority need in the City of Wilsonville according to the level of service standards outlined in the master plan; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has reviewed the proposed project and approved the "nature-based" park design concept, and

WHEREAS, in August 2006, a .68 acre parcel of land immediately adjacent to the .21 acre of land already owned by the City was acquired for a total of .89 acres that became appropriate for the development of a park for the provision of safe, interactive space for local residents, including walking trails, playground equipment, benches and picnic area; and

WHEREAS, this location is an opportunity to serve the residents of this diverse neighborhood as well as being on a popular transit route for youth between school and home and has an established transit stop at the corner of Montebello Drive, thus providing multiple levels of complimentary service, and

WHEREAS, the applicant hereby certifies that the matching share for this application is readily available at this time;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The City Council authorizes the Community Development Department to apply for a Local Government Grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for the development of the Montebello Park as specified above; and
 - 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Wilsonville City Council at a regular Council meeting thereof this 5th day of April, 2010, and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this same date.

Tim Knapp, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Sandra C. King, MMC, City Recorder

SUMMARY OF VOTES:

Mayor Knapp Yes
Councilor Kirk Yes
Councilor Hurst Yes
Councilor Ripple Yes

Councilor Núñez Excused

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 30, 2010

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Kerry Rappold, Natural Resources Program Manager

Re: Application for State of Oregon Local Government Grant

REQUEST:

Several grant funding streams are made available through the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD). Currently available are funds through the Local Government Grant Program that provide a 50% match for ...'local government agencies, which under state law have an obligation to provide public recreation facilities'. Only public outdoor park and recreation areas and facilities are eligible.

The Community Services Team reviewed the project definitions and has determined that the development of Montebello Park meets the requirements and qualifications of an appropriate project for this grant funding opportunity.

In order to complete the application (due April 5), a Resolution from the City Council is required that supports the responsible staff and department in its efforts to apply for and administer this grant.

BACKGROUND:

This opportunity comes at a unique and exciting time. The Parks and Recreation Master Plan, adopted in November 2007, identified Montebello as an underserved area of the City, and the .89 acre parcel that is appropriate for the development of park amenities to serve this diverse neighborhood. At their February 18, 2010 meeting, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board reviewed the proposed project and approved the "nature-based" park design concept.

The park project includes trails, naturescaping areas, natural playgrounds, benches and picnic area, kinetic sculptures, informational kiosk, and landscaping. The Community Services Team has been successful in a previous Local Government Grant submitted in 2001 for the completion of the River Fox Neighborhood Park. Kerry Rappold will serve as the authorizing agent for the City of Wilsonville.

Being sensitive to the current load of maintenance issues in the City, this park will be built with low impact, sustainable amenities and will be added to the Adopt-a-Park program that enlists the help of local residents to maintain the cleanliness of our parks.

City Council approval is required in the form of a resolution for the application to be complete. We look forward to working with the City Council, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the citizens of the Montebello neighborhood to develop a park that is manageable, attractive and appropriate to the needs of the community.