



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS TO SUBMIT THE 2022 OUTDOOR RECREATION MATCHING GRANT APPLICATION FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, HERITAGE AND TOURISM

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas seeks to develop a new downtown park at the corner of Union Street and Monroe Avenue in Jonesboro for outdoor recreational facilities and wishes to seek grant funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain the funds necessary to develop the new park, it is necessary to obtain an Outdoor Recreation Matching Grant from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism; and

WHEREAS, the plans for such recreation areas have been prepared and the price therefore has been established; and

WHEREAS, the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas local match would be \$100,000, which will be covered through the FY2022 Community Development Block Grant Funds, and the grant match would be \$100,000 for a total of \$200,000 to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, this governing body understands the grantee and grantor will enter into a binding agreement which obligates both parties to policies and procedures contained in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants Manual including, but not limited to the following; the park area defined by the project boundary map, submitted in the application, must remain in outdoor recreation use in perpetuity, regardless if the property is bought or developed with matching grant funds and; all present and future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be routed away or placed underground and; the project area must remain open and available for use by the public at all reasonable times of the day and year; facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc. but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use, and; the project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe and healthful manner.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF JONESBORO, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1: The Jonesboro City Council supports the submission of the 2022 application to the Outdoor Recreation Grant to develop the new downtown park at the corner of Union and Monroe Avenue in Jonesboro, Arkansas; and

SECTION 2: The Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized by the City Council for the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the application; and

SECTION 3: The Grants and Community Development Department is hereby authorized by the City Council for the City of Jonesboro to submit all necessary documents for this grant; and

SECTION 4: The Jonesboro City Council pledges its full support and hereby authorizes the Arkansas

Department of Recreation to initiate action to implement this project.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 17TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2021.