

Parks & Recreation

Board Action

File #: 18-048

Commissioner Brown - Parks and Recreation - To Authorize Gaston County Parks and Recreation to Submit a NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) Grant Application in 2018

STAFF CONTACT

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BUDGET IMPACT

Grant would provide \$350,000 in additional funding for Dallas Park Improvements. Required grant matching funds are included in the approved Dallas Park Expansion Budget.

BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

Increase funding available for Dallas Park Improvements.

BACKGROUND

Gaston County Parks and Recreation maintains and manages a system of 19 parks, including the Dallas Park. The 90acre Dallas Park was constructed in the 1970s and the park includes baseball/softball fields, equestrian facilities, fishing lakes, picnic shelters, tennis courts, and a historical village. In 2013, Parks and Recreation completed an update to the Dallas Park Master Plan. The planning process provided opportunities for public input at several public meetings. In 2017, Parks and Recreation updated the Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan. More than 500 people provided input for the Comprehensive plan and voiced support for amenities that are included in the 2013 Dallas Park Plan. The NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) provides dollar for dollar matching grants to local governments for parks and recreational projects to serve the public. Gaston County Parks and Recreation requests the Board of Commissioners to authorize the submission of a 2018 PARTF grant application in the amount of \$350,000. The PARTF Grant project will include adding a new soccer field, splash pad, dog park, fitness pavilion, additional parking and restrooms to the Dallas park. The Board of Commissioners is requested to provide \$350,000 in matching funds which are available in the approved Dallas Park Expansion budget.

POLICY IMPACT

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ATTACHMENTS

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