



**Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services  
Memorandum #12-2014**

**DATE:** July 14, 2014

**TO:** Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing and City Council Members

**FROM:** John Pick, City Manager   
Amanda J. Peterson, Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services 

**SUBJECT:** CR-71- Support for Adams County Open Space Grant Request for Pool Rehabilitation  
CR-72- Support for Adams County Open Space Grant Request for Larson Park  
CR-73- Support for Adams County Open Space Mini Grant Request for Huron Crossing Improvements

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that Council approve the attached resolutions, supporting the submission of three grant applications to Adams County Open Space in the active use category for the fall 2014 grant cycle. The three grant requests include asking for up to \$250,000 for the Pool Rehabilitation; up to \$80,000 for improvements at Larson Park; and \$5,000 for improvements at Huron Crossing.

**BACKGROUND**

There are two opportunities each year to seek grant funding from Adams County Open Space. Funding for these grants comes from the Adams County Open Space Tax, of which 68% is distributed through a competitive grant process. Adams County Resolution 99-1 and the Adams County Open Space Policies and Procedures manual outline eligible uses for these funds. The projects identified above are eligible requests.

The funding is divided into two categories – active and passive. A request for a passive project may be for up to 70% of the total budget, a request for an active project may be for up to 60% of the project. Although a request for 60% of an active use project is allowable, the Adams County Open Space Advisory Board has expressed a desire that active use requests are limited to 50% of the project costs. Projects that do not exceed a request of 50% of the total budget tend to be viewed more favorably. The three proposed requests are all within the active use category.

**Pool Rehabilitation:** There is currently \$250,000 identified in the 5-year CIP in 2015 (Conservation Trust Fund) for the replacement of the pool liner, with an anticipated cost of \$500,000. This budget was developed with the intention of requesting grant funds to make up the difference. In addition to the liner, the project includes resurfacing of the pool deck and improved drainage on the pool deck. As has been noted previously, it is impossible to get a good indication of the condition of the pool surface beneath the existing liner until that liner is removed. Once it is removed, it will be necessary to make repairs to that surface before the new liner is installed. The existing liner was installed in 1999, and has exceeded its anticipated lifespan of 10-12 years.

**Larson Park:** There is currently \$80,000 identified in the 2014 CIP budget (Adams County Open Space) for the replacement of the playground equipment at Larson Park. A community survey was conducted, and over 75 responses were received. The survey data indicated a desire for additional park amenities, to include relocating the younger children's play area off the street, adding in small shade structures, additional seating, a water fountain and outdoor senior fitness equipment. As such, the project cannot be completed as desired for the existing budget. To include these amenities desired by the community (in addition to replacing the playground equipment as originally planned), it is intended that an additional \$80,000 will be requested through this grant cycle.

**Huron Crossing:** An adjacent business owner has approached the city with a desire to give back to the community he is doing business in. He has a desire to add soccer goals for free-play for local children, barbeque grills, additional tables and a new water fountain. He is willing to donate approximately \$5,000-\$7,000 to complete these projects. It is anticipated that only the goals and the water fountain, his top two priorities, could be completed for that amount. A mini-grant requesting \$5,000 would be a great way to leverage this donation and provide additional amenities at this park, for a total project budget of \$10,000-\$12,000.

These resolutions will serve as support of each of the applications, as required by the Adams County Open Space Advisory Board. A copy of the resolutions will be included with the final applications.

**BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS**

Grant applications are due by August 1, 2014. Letters of support from the community, as well as the proposed resolutions, would need to be submitted to Adams County by that date.

**STAFF REFERENCE**

Please contact Amanda Peterson at [apeterson@northglenn.org](mailto:apeterson@northglenn.org) or by phone at 303.450.8950 for any further questions.

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR DOWNING

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-72  
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A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A GRANT APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ADAMS COUNTY OPEN SPACE FOR FUNDING FOR THE LARSON PARK PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, funding in the amount of \$80,000 has been identified in the five-year Capital Improvement Program for the Larson Park Playground Replacement Project, which will include the replacement of playground equipment, relocating the children's play area, and adding shade structures, seating, a water fountain and outdoor senior fitness equipment;

WHEREAS, the Northglenn City Council believes that improvements to Larson Park will enhance the recreational amenities to users of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to express its support of the submission of an Adams County Open Space Grant Application to obtain funding for the Larson Park Playground Replacement Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Northglenn is in full support of submitting a grant application to Adams County Open Space to obtain funding for the Larson Park Playground Replacement Project.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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JOYCE DOWNING  
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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JOHANNA SMALL, CMC  
City Clerk

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COREY Y. HOFFMANN  
City Attorney