



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

District H

Item Creation Date: 2/4/2022

PRD - TPWD Urban Outdoor Grant Denver Harbor Park

Agenda Item#:

Background:

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (HPARD) requests Council approval authorizing the submission of an Urban Outdoor Recreation grant application to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD). Through the efforts of State Representative Ana Hernandez, \$1,000,000 in grant assistance for improvements of Selena Quintanilla Perez/Denver Harbor Park were secured during the 2021-2022 General Appropriations Act enacted by the 87th Texas Legislature. TPWD requires a grant application authorizing the HPARD Director or designee to act as the city's representative in the application process, with the authority to accept and expend such grant funds, as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the grant. The total grant award is \$1,000,000 and there is no required match.

Selena Quintanilla Perez/Denver Harbor Park is located at 6402 Market St. in the Denver Harbor/Port Houston Super Neighborhood. The City of Houston acquired the 17.20-acre park in 1945. The proposed scope of work for the grant project includes new playground equipment comprised of a unit for 2-5 year-olds, a unit for 5-12 year-olds, and swings for all ages. It also includes reconstruction of the west parking lot, repairs to the east parking lot, addition of new LED lighting and improvements to the existing lighting. The existing asphalt trail will be repaired to improve safety and extend the life of the trail, and site furnishings such as tables, benches, and drinking fountains will be replaced. The existing football field goals will be replaced or relocated to extend the field from 80 yards to 100 yards. The existing backstop will be replaced, and the area improved for t-ball. If budget allows, proposed scope of work will be expanded to include a new restroom facility, upgrades to the existing concession building and tree plantings. The grant will cover all project cost including design, survey, geo-technical survey and permitting.

Fiscal Note: No fiscal note required for grant items.

Director's Signature:

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Kenneth Allen, Director

Houston Parks and Recreation Department

Prior Council Action:

Not applicable

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$1,000,000 - State Grant Funded (5010)

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