Introduced by _____ Council Bill No. _____R 48-13_____

A RESOLUTION

authorizing the City Manager to apply for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources relating to park improvements at Woodridge Park located on Berrywood Drive.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to apply for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources relating to park improvements at Woodridge Park located on Berrywood Drive.

SECTION 2. If a grant is awarded, the City of Columbia accepts all responsibilities under the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the project site to be protected by the LWCF rules and regulations in perpetuity, maintenance of the park for public outdoor recreation purposes, compliance with the provisions of the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, underground wiring of all telephone and electrical wires under 15KV within the park both under this project and in the future, provisions of facilities which are accessible to and usable by people with special needs.

SECTION 3. The estimated cost of this improvement is $225,000.00. The amount of the grant applied for will be $75,000.00 with the City providing $150,000.00 in matching funds through private donations.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2013.

ATTEST:

_____ _____

City Clerk Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor

Source: Parks and Recreation MH

Agenda Item No:

To: City Council
From: City Manager and Staff MM

Council Meeting Date: March 4th, 2013

Re: Woodridge Park LWCF Grant Approval

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting authorization to submit a grant application to the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for partial funding for park improvements at Woodridge Park located at 3532 Berrywood Drive. Total project cost is estimated at $225,000 and the LWCF grant would provide 33% ($75,000) of the project cost with the local match being $150,000. The local match will be provided through a major donation from the Cosmopolitan Columbia Club as well as other private donations. If received, the grant would be used for park development purposes only with the application and planning being performed by park staff. The proposed LWCF grant would be used to add an all-inclusive playground, walking trail, and additional one-table shelters in the park.

DISCUSSION:

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is currently accepting applications for the Land and Water Conservation Fund FY-13 program. The maximum grant match for the program is $75,000 not to exceed 45% of the projected cost of a project. The Parks and Recreation source for the match will include a major gift from the Cosmopolitan Columbia Club as well other private donations from the Columbia community. The LWCF is a competitive grant program and provides funding for a wide variety of outdoor recreation projects intended to help communities meet the recreation needs of the citizens. The grant will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to add an all-inclusive playground at the park that will serve all children in our community. The playground will meet all ADA standards concerning accessibility and play features. Other improvements will include a 0.4 mile hard surface walking trail, council ring, single table picnic shelters and will include trail connectors to the Ronald McDonald House and the Thompson Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders. The project will be completed in partnership with the Ronald McDonald House, The Thompson Foundation, The Missouri Orthopedic Institute, The Columbia Cosmopolitan Club and The University of Missouri Women's and Children's Hospital.

FISCAL IMPACT:

If the grant is received, the Parks and Recreation Department would initiate the construction of the proposed park amenities. Total estimated cost for the project is $225,000 and will be funded by a LWCF grant and private donations. The department currently maintains Woodridge Park so this project will not impact the department's operating budget.

VISION IMPACT:
http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/Council/Meetings/visionimpact.php

12.1 Goal: A variety of attractive, well-maintained parks throughout Columbia-including neighborhood parks, regional parks, nature parks, and urban parks-will ensure all residents have access to a full range of outdoor and indoor recreational opportunities.

12.2 Goal: Columbia's recreational needs and desires will be met through effective public and private partnerships that provide outstanding, exciting, and diverse recreational facilities such as, but not limited to, an ice skating rink, golf courses, tennis courts, soccer fields, ball fields, ball parks, and swimming pools. These facilities will be placed appropriately throughout the city to allow easy access for everyone.

Implementation task #40: Fund and complete capital improvement program projects (parks).

SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Approve the resolution authorizing City staff to apply for a Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for playground and related improvements to Woodridge park.

FISCAL and VISION NOTES:					
City Fiscal Impact Enter all that apply		**Program Impact**		**Mandates**	
City's current net FY cost	$0.00	New Program/ Agency?	No	Federal or State mandated?	No
Amount of funds already appropriated	$0.00	Duplicates/Epands an existing program?	No	**Vision Implementation impact**	
Amount of budget amendment needed	$0.00	Fiscal Impact on any local political subdivision?	No	Enter all that apply: Refer to Web site	
Estimated 2 year net costs:		**Resources Required**		Vision Impact?	Yes
One Time	$225,000.00	Requires add'l FTE Personnel?	No	Primary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	12.1
Operating/ Ongoing	$0.00	Requires add'l facilities?	No	Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	12.2
		Requires add'l capital equipment?	No	Fiscal year implementation Task #	40