



City Council

Approval of a Resolution to Accept a Funding Board Project Agreement with the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for the LBA Woods Morse-Merryman Acquisition Project

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the resolution for the grant agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for the LBA Woods Morse-Merryman acquisition reimbursement, in the amount of \$1,000,000, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Report

Issue:

Whether to accept the grant agreement terms and conditions for the LBA Woods Morse-Merryman Acquisition project with RCO.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar item.

Background and Analysis:

In 2016, the City purchased the 72-acre LBA Woods Morse-Merryman property to add to the City's park inventory. RCO allows jurisdictions to apply for acquisition grants after a property is purchased under a "Waiver of Retroactivity." The City applied for a grant for this acquisition and received the grant award with the passage of the capital budget by the State Legislature, in March of this year.

The grant requires a minimum of 50% matching funds which the City has already spent acquiring the

property. The Long Term Obligation of the agreement requires a deed of right be placed on the property assuring that it be available for public recreation in perpetuity.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

The City received letters of support for this acquisition from five community organizations: Yes on Parks, the PARC Foundation of Thurston County, the Olympia Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Olympia Coalition for Ecosystem Preservation and the Woodland Trail Greenway Association.

Options:

Move to approve the resolution for the grant agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for the LBA Woods Morse-Merryman acquisition reimbursement, in the amount of \$1,000,000, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Do not move to approve the resolution for the grant agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for the LBA Woods Morse-Merryman acquisition reimbursement, in the amount of \$1,000,000, and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. The City would not receive a partial reimbursement for this park acquisition.

Financial Impact:

Approving this resolution would allow the City to receive a \$1,000,000 reimbursement of funds that were used to acquire the LBA Woods Morse-Merryman property.

Attachments:

Resolution
Agreement