

## SULTAN CITY COUNCIL

### AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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**Date:** April 12, 2007

**Agenda Item #:** A-1

**SUBJECT:** Interagency for Outdoor Recreation Committee (IAC) Grant Application

**CONTACT PERSON:** Donna Murphy Grants and Economic Development

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

The issue before the City Council is authorization to apply for a \$75,000 Trails Maintenance Grant through IAC for maintenance and repair of the trails and interpretive signs in Osprey Park.

Due to budgetary restraints, Osprey Park trails have not been maintained on a regular basis. The interpretive signs have been severely vandalized and need to be replaced. This grant would bring the trails up to standard and replace the interpretive signs.

IAC has been allocated \$2,800,000 for their National Recreational Trails Program for the year 2008; almost double the usual allocation.

This program offers Park Trails Maintenance grants up to \$75,000 with a 20% match requirement.

If the City receives the grant the City Council will have the opportunity to accept the grant and obligate the 20% matching funds. With Council's approval of the grant application, the Trails Maintenance Project will be included in the City's 2008 – 2013 Capital Improvement Plan. The Council may decide, through the Capital Improvement Plan, that other project priorities are more important. In which case, the Council could withdraw the grant application or decline the grant if it is awarded.

**FISCAL IMPACTS:**

IAC's list of recommended projects must be approved by the legislature. If Sultan is high on the list for recommended funding in 2007, the grant will be approved by the legislature in the spring of 2008, and the project more than likely take place in 2009. The 20% match requirement (\$15,000) for this grant can be paid out of the 2009 REET Funds and in-kind or force account.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the grant application

This alternative provides the City with the opportunity to receive a grant that will leverage limited capital funds to restore the interpretive signs at Osprey Park. It also obligates the Council to set aside Real Estate Excise (REET) funds in 2009 to provide the \$15,000 in matching funds.

2. Deny the grant application to IAC

This alternative eliminates the opportunity to leverage limited capital funds to restore the interpretive signs at Osprey Park

3. Review the list of potential maintenance projects in the City's Capital Facilities Plan and direct staff to apply for a Trails Maintenance Grant for another City Project.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Motion to direct staff to apply for a \$75,000 Trails Maintenance to IAC for maintenance and repair of the trails and interpretive signs in Osprey Park, and authorize the Mayor to sign the necessary resolution for the application.

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

**Action Date:**

# National Recreational Trails Program Authorizing Resolution

Local Agencies and Nonprofit Organizations—You may reproduce on your own paper; text may not change.

Organization Name **City of Sultan**

Resolution No. **07-09**

Project Name(s) **Osprey Park Trails & Interpretive Signs**

A resolution authorizing application(s) for funding assistance for a National Recreational Trails Program (N RTP) project to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) as provided in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century [Sec. 1112. Recreational Trails Program (RTP); (a) In General.—Chapter 2 of title 23, United States Code, sec. 206. RTP, (d) State Responsibilities (Appendix 1)].

WHEREAS, under the provisions of N RTP, state funding assistance is requested to aid in financing the cost of a facility development; maintenance, or educational project; and

WHEREAS, our organization considers it in the best public interest to complete the project described in the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The Mayor be authorized to make formal application to IAC for funding assistance;
2. Any fund assistance received be used for implementation of the project referenced above;
3. Our organization hereby certifies that its share of project funding is committed and will be derived from **REET Funds and in-kind or force account**
4. We acknowledge that we are responsible for supporting all non-cash commitments to the sponsor share should they not materialize; [ *if applicable* ]
5. We acknowledge that any facility developed with IAC financial aid must be placed in use as an outdoor recreation facility and be retained in such use in perpetuity unless otherwise provided and agreed to by our organization and IAC (generally, IAC approves removing facilities from the perpetuity requirement when the facilities have reached their designed life expectancy, or because of extraordinary vandalism, acts of nature, fire, etc.) [ *if applicable* ];
6. This resolution becomes part of a formal application to IAC; and
7. We provided appropriate opportunity for public comment on this application.

This resolution was adopted by our organization during the meeting held:

Location: **Sultan City Council Chambers 319 Main Street, Sultan Washington**

Signed and approved by the following authorized representative:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ **Ben Tolson**

Title: **Mayor**

Date **April 12, 2007**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ **Laura Koenig**

Approved as to form: \_\_\_\_\_