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SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS UPON AWARD FROM THE TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT (TPWD) FOR THE OUTDOOR RECREATION LEGACY PARTNERSHIP (ORLP) PROGRAM GRANT AS PART OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE'S LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF) IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$5,772,861.00 FOR REVITALIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT AT NORMOYLE PARK LOCATED IN COUNCIL DISTRICT 5. THIS GRANT REQUIRES MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,772,861.00. FUNDING IS AVAILABLE FROM THE 2022 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND THE TREE CANOPY PRESERVATION AND MITIGATION FUND.

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WHEREAS, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) released a call for applications for the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Program (ORLP) Grant with applications due on April 15, 2025. The TPWD will consider grant requests from across the State of Texas to be forwarded to the National Park Service (NPS), which notification to the City, if selected, will be Summer 2025. Invitations to continue the application process from the NPS will be sent to project sponsors in November 2025 with final award notification anticipated no later than November 2026. If awarded, the grant period allows for three years for project completion; and

WHEREAS, the 2022-2027 Bond Program provides funding of \$5,772,861.00 for development and improvements at Normoyle Park located in Council District 5. Of that total, \$2,000,000.00 has been spent on land acquisition to expand the footprint of Normoyle Park to 75 acres, inclusive of City owned property that formerly housed the Fire Department Training Tower and a Solid Waste fueling station; and

WHEREAS, the remaining balance of 2022-2027 Bond Program funding, \$4,750,000.00, is being utilized for a substantial portion of the one-to-one grant match requirement. Additional matching funds include up to \$1,022,861.00 from the Tree Canopy Preservation and Mitigation Fund for a grant total of up to \$5,772,861.00; and

WHEREAS, community engagement for the Normoyle Park revitalization began in 2022 and has continued through April 2025 in the form of two additional community engagement opportunities including public input meetings and an engagement survey. Additional engagement opportunities are planned for later in the calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the TPWD grant would leverage 2022-2027 Bond Program funding for development of Normoyle Park into a destination regional park providing a unique opportunity to expand park access in one of the city's most socio-economically disadvantaged communities.; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the new amenities, new trees will be planted in the park which will increase its canopy and provide natural shade opportunities for the community. This will also contribute to the parks ecological revitalization and complements the planned environmentally friendly design of the proposed park expansion.

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or designee or the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department or designee is authorized to submit a grant application and the accept funds upon award from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) for the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Program Grant as part of the National Park Service's Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) in an amount up to \$5,772,861.00 for revitalization and development at Normoyle Park located in Council District 5. This grant requires matching funds in the amount of \$5,772,861.00. Funding is available from the 2022 General Obligation Bond Program and the Tree Canopy Preservation and Mitigation Fund.

SECTION 2. The City Manager or designee, or the Director of Parks and Recreation or designee, is further authorized to initiate, negotiate, and execute any and all necessary documents and a grant contract to effectuate the acceptance of the grant referenced in Section 1 of this ordinance and to execute contract amendments pertaining to this contract to include amendments which will provide supplemental grant funds to the grant by the funding agency in an amount up to 20% of the total amount initially awarded to the grant. A copy of said application is on file with the San Antonio Department of Parks and Recreation.

SECTION 3. Should funding be awarded, upon acceptance of this award, a new fund and internal order number will be created, upon which the award amount will be appropriated from TPWD. A final budget, which will include SAP Internal Orders and SAP GL Accounts, will be submitted by the Parks and Recreation Department upon award.

SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of April, 2025.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney