

Council Agenda Report

Date: March 9, 2020
Submitted by: Pat Escher, Division Manager, City Planner

SUBJECT: DNR – CBTrust Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns Grant Program

Recommendation that Council:

- A. Hold a Public Hearing to discuss the City to apply for a grant to make improvements to Cannery Park
- B. The Council close the Public Hearing
- C. The council direct staff to apply for a grant from DNR-CBTrust for up to \$50,000.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign any of the required application forms as necessary.

Discussion: The City has been awarded \$510,000 to construct the initial phase of Cannery Park. The funds will pay for the drafting of construction documents to guide the design implementation of the park, demolition and clearing, grading, site utilities, sidewalks, lighting within the great lawn area, and the construction of the overlook improvements. The park design requires various portions of the property to be landscaped with trees and shrubbery. Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) does not fund “living amenities”. Given that lack of funding for these very important elements, staff is requesting permission to apply for a DNR-CBTrust grant to supplement the work that will be done on the park.

Per the Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Town Grant Program, the City can apply up to \$50,000.00 dollars for these improvements. It is anticipated that the overall landscape improvements will cost approximately \$140,000.00 (in 2018 dollars). So, while this will get the park improvements underway, more funds will be needed to complete the park as it builds out as designed.

Fiscal impact: NA

Approved by: Patrick Comiskey

