



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: October 16, 2023

PREPARED BY: Chuck Stifter, Parks and Recreation Director

AGENDA ITEM: Grant application - Community Center Renovation and Expansion - Phase One Arena - Resolution No. 23-155

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

Following the November 2022 General Election, City Council approved Ordinance No. 22-20 at its December 5, 2022 meeting, imposing a local option sales tax to fund the Community Center Renovation and Expansion Project.

January 17, 2023 Council approved Resolution No. 23-017 Community Center Renovation and Expansion Project – Design Process Governance.

April 17, 2023 Council approved an agreement for architectural services with JLG Architects to complete the Community Center Renovation and Expansion project including all design and construction administration phases.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 23-155 directing staff to apply for grant funding from the Hennepin Facility Grant Program in the 2024 budget cycle for the planned Community Center Renovation and Expansion – Phase One Area.

COMMENTS:

The city has been very successful in their grant applications from the Hennepin Youth Sports Program (HYSP), receiving grant funding for the Gleason Fields (2021), Fernbrook Fields (2018) and the Sports Dome (2010). This application requests \$300,000 in grant funding.

The council has directed staff to develop a schematic design for the Community Center Renovation and Expansion – Phase One Arena with the intention to complete design this next spring and start construction the summer of 2024.

The anticipated project schedule is as follows:

- October 2023 Schematic design review

- December 2023 Design development review
- March 2024 Construction document review / authorize bids
- May 2024 Bids received and awarded
- July 2024 Construction begins
- Summer 2025 Project substantial completion

The city's application to Hennepin County Facility Grant Program will be complete with a positive review of the proposed resolution this evening.

It is recommended the council adopt the resolution to proceed with the grant application requesting funds from the Hennepin Facility Grant Program.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Resolution No. 22-155

Attachment B: Grant application