



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of January 12, 2016
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting of January 19, 2016

DATE: 12/1/2015

TO: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

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Ordinance authorizing acceptance and appropriation of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) grant award for FY15-16 and City matching funds

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a \$21,671 State grant awarded by the Corporation for National and Community Service for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program; appropriating the \$21,671 State grant in the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grants Fund; transferring \$79,173 from the No. 1020 General Fund to the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grant Fund as City matching funds for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and appropriating the \$79,173 in the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grant fund.

PURPOSE:

Appropriation and acceptance of grant funding, along with the transfer and appropriation of City matching funds to allow for the continuation of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City receives grant funding for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) through Federal, State and local grants, in addition to City matching funds that must be appropriated each year. This grant award is the first year of the contract with the corporation for National and Community Service. The amount of \$21,671 is the State's portion of the contract.

The RSVP program has proven to be exceptionally beneficial to both senior citizens and various public and private agencies in Corpus Christi. RSVP volunteers are individuals 55 years or older who utilize their talents and experience to serve the needs of the community. During the previous grant period (7/01/2014-6/30/15) and fiscal year 2014-2015, 390 enrolled volunteers contributed 69,132 hours through more than 38 different non-profit organizations like the, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Center, Corpus Christi Metro Ministries, VA Clinic, and other community based organizations such as the Corpus Christi Medical Center, USS Lexington, and AARP Chapter.

ALTERNATIVES:

Reject the grant award and discontinue the RSVP Program.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Council authorization is required to accept and appropriate grant funds.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal, Finance, Budget

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This grant requires City matching funds, which were budgeted in the FY16 City General Fund.

X Operating

X Revenue

☐ Capital

☐ Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2015-2016	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered/ Expended Amount				
This item (transfer)		\$ 79,173		\$ 79,173
This item (grant)		21,671		21,671
BALANCE		\$100,844		\$100,844

Fund(s): Parks and Recreation Grant Fund – 1067; General Fund 1020

Comments: State Grant for FY2015-2016

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends acceptance of the grant from the Corporation for National and Community Services for the continuation of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance

Notification of Funds Available