



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading for the City Council Meeting of July 14, 2015
Second Reading for the City Council Meeting of July 21, 2015

DATE: 6/22/2015
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Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) grant award

CAPTION:

Ordinance authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents necessary to accept a grant awarded by the Corporation for National and Community Service in the amount of \$45,434 for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program; appropriating the \$45,434 grant in the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grants Fund for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.

PURPOSE:

Appropriation of grant funding 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 and State and local grants and matching funds that must be appropriated each year. This award is year two of a three year contract with the corporation for National and Community Service. The amount of \$45, 434 is the Federal portion of the three year contract. There is no additional local match for this portion.

The RSVP program Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) 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 a previous grant period (7/1/2014-6/30/2015) and fiscal year 2014-2015, 390 enrolled volunteers contributed 69,132 hours through 38+ different non-profit organizations like the, CASA, Corpus Christi Food Bank, KEDT TV, VA Clinic, and other community based organizations like Mission of Mercy, Corpus Christi Medical Center, USS Lexington, and AARP Chapters, to name a few. RSVP has set a goal to provide the community 50,000+ volunteer hours. This grant year the RSVP volunteers will succeed our set goal and will work diligently to surpass the hours provided last grant year.

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 local grant funds.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal, Finance, Budget

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Operating Expense / Revenue

Fiscal Year: 2014-2015	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item (grant)		\$45,434		\$45,434
BALANCE		\$45,434		\$45,434

Fund(s): Parks and Recreation Grant Fund

Comments: Federal grant for FY15 (effective July 1, 2015)

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 Grant Award