



**AGENDA MEMORANDUM**  
for the City Council Meeting of June 12, 2012

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**DATE:** 5/8/2012

**TO:** Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

**FROM:** Michael Morris, Director  
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Acceptance and Appropriation of 2012 Gro1000 Gardens and Green Spaces Grant from Scotts Miracle-Gro and the United States Conference of Mayors.

**CAPTION:**

- A. Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all documents to accept a \$15,000 grant awarded by Scotts Miracle-Gro and the United States Conference of Mayors for the construction of the Lindale Park Community Garden.
- B. Ordinance appropriating a \$15,000 grant awarded by Scotts Miracle-Gro and the United States Conference of Mayors in the No. 1067 Parks and Recreation Grant Fund, for the construction of the Lindale Park Community Garden and declaring an emergency.

**BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Mayor's Fitness Council, in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Department, was awarded one of five grants from Scotts Miracle-Gro and the United States Conference of Mayors to establish a community garden. The MFC will utilize these funds to partner with the Lindale Neighbors, Texas Agriculture Extension Office, to increase access to healthy foods and vegetables by establishing a community garden at Lindale Park located at 3133 Swantner Lane. In addition to the \$15,000 grant, Scotts Miracle Gro will provide \$10,000 in product to the project as well. There are no matching funds required.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Do not accept grant.

**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

The Parks and Recreation Department has secured a commitment from the Lindale Neighbors via their Adopt-a-Park agreement to serve as administrators of the garden plots.

**CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

Appropriation of funds require City Council approval.

**EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:**

Emergency

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Legal; Accounting; Budget

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Revenue

<b>Fiscal Year: 2011-2012</b>	<b>Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)</b>	<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Future Years</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Line Item Budget		15,000		15,000
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item		15,000		15,000
BALANCE		15,000		15,000

Fund(s):

**Comments:** An additional award of \$10,000 Scotts Miracle Gro products is included in the grant award totaling \$25,000.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of acceptance of grant award.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Notice of Funding Award; Drawing of Playground