

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster, California

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Date: September 9, 2008

To: Mayor Parris and Council Members

From: Brian S. Ludicke, Planning Director

Subject: **Application for Grant Funds from the Recreational Trails Program**

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 08-78, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Recreational Trails Program for the following project: Amargosa Creek Pathway.

Background:

The Planning Department, in cooperation with the Department of Parks, Recreation and Arts, and the Department of Public Works, is interested in submitting a grant application to the State Resources Agency under the "Recreational Trails Program". The application requires that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the filing of an application, certifying the project is consistent with the General Plan, certifying the applicant will have available sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project, and appointing the City Manager as agent for the project.

If the application is approved, the City could receive up to \$3,000,000 towards the construction of a foot-bridge structure linking the existing trailhead at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds with a trailhead and pathway on the east side of a flood control basin located northeast of Avenue H and 20th Street West. In addition, these funds would provide for the development of a pedestrian/bicycle trail from Avenue H to Avenue I. This project is in conformance with the Master Plan and Design Guidelines for the Amargosa Creek Pathway as approved by the City Council in October, 1996 and November 13, 2001.

Preparation of the application is in progress and will be required to be submitted to the State Resources Agency by October 1, 2008.

EW:BSL/jr

Attachment:

Resolution No. 08-78

RESOLUTION NO. 08-78

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE
APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE
RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the “Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users” provides funds to the State of California for Grants to federal, state, local and non-profit organizations to acquire, develop and/or maintain motorized and non-motorized trail Projects; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the State, setting up necessary procedures governing Project Application under the program; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of Application before submission of said Application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California to complete the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF LANCASTER
HEREBY:

1. Approves the filing of an Application for the Recreational Trails Program; and
2. Certifies that the Project is consistent with the Applicant’s General Plan or the equivalent planning document; and
3. Certifies that said Applicant has or will have available prior to commencement of any work on the Project included in this Application, sufficient funds to operate and maintain the Project; and
4. Certifies that the Applicant has reviewed, understands and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the Contract shown in the Procedural Guide; and
5. Appoints the City Manager or designee as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to Applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the Project.
6. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2008, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

GERI K. BRYAN, CMC
City Clerk
City of Lancaster

R. REX PARRIS
Mayor
City of Lancaster

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES }ss
CITY OF LANCASTER }

CERTIFICATION OF RESOLUTION
CITY COUNCIL

I, _____, _____ City of Lancaster, California, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution No. 08-78, for which the original is on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, on this _____ day of _____, _____.

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