



AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 N

COUNCIL MEETING 3/18/10

APPROVED BY

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

CITY MANAGER

March 18, 2010

**FROM:** RANDALL L. COOPER, Director  
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**SUBJECT:** A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO ADOPTING THE 62<sup>ND</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION NO. 2009-149 APPROPRIATING \$48,800 OF A TWO-YEAR \$90,000 GRANT FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND FOR THE LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE PROGRAM

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached resolution to appropriate \$48,800 of a two-year \$90,000 grant received from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Life and Environmental Science Program. (Remaining funds will be re-appropriated in FY 2011.)

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services (PARCS) Department was awarded a two-year Habitat Conservation Fund grant of \$90,000 for the Life and Environmental Science Program (LES) at the Mosqueda Center. The grant funds will allow PARCS to provide staff oversight for this program and purchase a vehicle to transport participants on excursions to nature and wildlife areas. The attached resolution allows LES program staff to acquire program resources and operate through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Remaining grant funds will be re-appropriated in FY 2011 as all appropriations lapse June 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### BACKGROUND

The State of California Department of Parks and Recreation Habitat Conservation Fund (HCF) Grant Program provides funding to protect fish, wildlife and native plant resources, to acquire or develop wildlife corridors and trails. Additionally, HCF provides funds for nature interpretation and other programs that bring urban residents into park and wildlife areas. The Department successfully applied and was awarded a \$90,000 grant. Funds will be used for the Life and Environmental Science program to take residents, especially children and seniors, on special excursions to natural sites. The program will increase hands-on opportunities to learn about the watershed, our local ecology, flora and fauna. The program will also offer multiple opportunities for residents to participate in community service projects that will improve trails, wildlife corridors and wetland areas.

The grant is for a two-year period and includes funding for the purchase of a passenger van. PARCS will maximize funding opportunities by partnering with the San Joaquin River Conservancy to take participants to the San Joaquin River. A separate Council report has been prepared on this exciting project with the San Joaquin River Conservancy. PARCS is also partnering with the California Department of Fish and Game on Urban Fishing Programs at Woodward Park, Regional Sports Complex and the Salmonids in the Classroom Program where children learn about the natural habitat necessary for salmon and trout to survive. The Life

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and Environmental Science Program will offer a well rounded experience to all participants and encourage life long learning opportunities.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The Habitat Conservation Grant requires a one-to-one match but is no impact to the General Fund. The local match of \$90,000 will be derived from the partnership grants with the San Joaquin River Conservancy, Fish and Game Department, and current Life and Environmental Science operating budget. Maintenance of the new passenger van will be conducted by the Fleet Management Division.

During the two-year grant period, Department staff will investigate avenues of alternative funding once the grant expires. In the event that staff is not able to identify adequate funding after the grant period to continue the program, temporary staff would be redeployed to other Recreation Division programs. (Historical attrition rates among temporary positions usually allow for this.) Other program resources such as the vehicle or program materials can be disposed or redeployed to other 'funded' programs with capacity.

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Attachment: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO ADOPTING THE 62<sup>nd</sup> AMENDMENT TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION NO. 2009-149 APPROPRIATING \$48,800 OF A TWO-YEAR \$90,000 GRANT FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND FOR THE LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO:

THAT PART III of the Annual Appropriation Resolution No. 2009-149 be and is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>
TO: PARKS, AFTER SCHOOL, RECREATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT	
Misc State Grants - Parks	\$ 48,800

THAT account titles and numbers requiring adjustment by this Resolution are as follows:

Misc State Grants - Parks

Revenues:

Account: <b>33401</b> State-Grant	\$ <u>48,800</u>
Fund: <b>22031</b>	
Org Unit: <b>170603</b>	

Total Revenues	\$ <u>48,800</u>
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Appropriations:

Account: <b>51201</b> Non-Permanent Salaries	\$ 7,400
<b>51202</b> Non-Permanent Fringe	600
<b>56120</b> Athletic & Recreation	1,500
<b>57411</b> New Machinery & Equipment	<u>39,300</u>

Fund: **22031**  
Org Unit: **170603**  
CS: **SQ002**

Total Appropriations	\$ <u>48,800</u>
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THAT the purpose is to appropriate \$48,800 of a two-year \$90,000 grant from the State Of California Department Of Parks And Recreation Habitat Conservation Fund for the Life And Environmental Science Program in the Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services Department.

**CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }  
COUNTY OF FRESNO } ss.  
CITY OF FRESNO }

I, REBECCA E. KLISCH, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, California, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

Mayor Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ 2010  
Mayor Approval/No Return: \_\_\_\_\_ 2010  
Mayor Veto: \_\_\_\_\_ 2010  
Council Override Veto: \_\_\_\_\_ 2010

REBECCA E. KLISCH  
City Clerk

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