



PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEM

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: August 9, 2022
SUBJECT: Spring 2022 Open Space Sales Tax Grant Awards
FROM: J. Byron Fanning, Jr., Director of POSCA, and Rae-Anne Reichow, Open Space Coordinator
AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Parks, Open Space and Cultural Arts
HEARD AT STUDY SESSION ON: Presented by B. Fanning at Study Session on July 19, 2022
AUTHORIZATION TO MOVE FORWARD: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Board of County Commissioners approves the resolution to approve the Spring 2022 Open Space Grant Awards.

BACKGROUND:

Staff presented the Spring 2022 Grant Applications to the BOCC on July 19, 2022. During the Study Session, the BOCC agreed to fund grant requests as recommended by Staff and the Open Space Advisory Board. Listed below is a financial accounting of all grant requests and their overall impact on the fund.

On March 31st, 2022, the Open Space Program received 17 full grant applications and 10 mini grant applications for a total of 27 grant submissions. The total amount requested for open space grants in this cycle is \$18,925,173.93 which includes mini grants. The total amount available for distribution was \$18,390,689.17.

The Open Space Advisory Board (OSAB) recommended full funding of all mini grant applications. The OSAB recommended full funding for the regular applications which they scored highest, from 1 to 14. Partial funding was recommended for the project that scored 15 and no funding was recommended for the projects that scored 16 and 17. The fund will not carry a balance to the next cycle.

The projects are listed according to their ranking, with mini grants listed last.

A detailed list of projects and the Open Space Advisory Board's recommendations for funding is below.

Ranking	Applicant	Project Name	Funding Request \$	Funding Recommendation \$
1	Adams County	Willow Bay Phase 2 Acquisition	\$ 986,000.00	\$ 986,000.00
2	City of Brighton	HSV Target Property # 1 - Additional Funding	\$ 2,812,000.00	\$ 2,812,000.00
3	City of Aurora	High Line Canal Trail Construction - Colfax Ave to I-70	\$ 1,600,000.00	\$ 1,600,000.00
4	Town of Bennett	Purple Pipe Phase II	\$ 960,000.00	\$ 960,000.00
5	City of Thornton	Aylor Open Lands	\$ 2,902,770.00	\$ 2,902,770.00
6	City of Northglenn	Kiwanas Pool Improvements Phase 2	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
7	Adams County	Riverdale Bluffs Trail System	\$ 1,733,069.00	\$ 1,733,069.00
8	City of Westminster	Swim & Fitness Center Front Entrance ADA Enhancements & U	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
9	City of Aurora	Sand Creek Trail System	\$ 261,170.00	\$ 261,170.00
10	City of Thornton	Trail Connections, Upgrades and Rehab 2022	\$ 651,231.00	\$ 651,231.00
11	Bird Conservancy of the Rockies	Bringing Nature Home	\$ 594,994.00	\$ 594,994.00
12	City of Commerce City	Fitness Court	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
13	Hyland Hills Park and Recreation District	Sherrelwood Playspace and Shelter	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 450,000.00
14	City of Westminster	Legacy Ridge Golf and Parks Reclaimed Irrigation Project	\$ 1,250,305.93	\$ 1,250,305.93
15	City of Commerce City	Second Creek Farm Park	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 1,895,515.24
16	Hyland Hills Park and Recreation District	Clear Creek Valley Large Event Shelter - Phase VI	\$ 360,000.00	\$ -
17	Town of Bennett	Trail Wayfinding Art Project	\$ 70,000.00	\$ -
MINI	Adams County	Ranger Patrol E-Motorcycle	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
MINI	Town of Bennett	Mountview Cemetery and Open Space	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
MINI	Hyland Hills Parks and Recreation District	Design and Planning of Hyland Hills Sports Complex	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
MINI	City of Thornton	Brandon Place Park Playground Swings	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
MINI	City of Commerce City	Park Ranger E Bikes	\$ 9,275.00	\$ 9,275.00
MINI	Sand Creek Regional Greenway Partnership	SCRGP Community Engagement Initiative	\$ 24,653.00	\$ 24,653.00
MINI	Strasburg Parks and Recreation District	North Field Batting Cages	\$ 24,139.00	\$ 24,139.00
MINI	Strasburg Parks and Recreation District	South Field Shade and Scoreboard	\$ 24,667.00	\$ 24,667.00
MINI	Barr Lake	Lake Appreciation Day 2022	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 3,900.00
MINI	City of Northglenn	Rotary Park Pavilion	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00

AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS OR OTHER OFFICES INVOLVED:

Open Space Advisory Board, Applicants

ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:

Resolution approving the award of Open Space Grant Awards.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Please check if there is no fiscal impact ☐. If there is fiscal impact, please fully complete the section below.

Fund: 28**Cost Center: 6202**

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Revenue:			
Additional Revenue not included in Current Budget:			
Total Revenues:			

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Operating Expenditure:	8810		\$18,390,689.17
Add'l Operating Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
Current Budgeted Capital Expenditure:			
Add'l Capital Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
Total Expenditures:			\$18,390,689.17

New FTEs requested: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Future Amendment Needed: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Additional Note:

N/A