

**TOWN OF
APPLE VALLEY, CALIFORNIA**

AGENDA MATTER

Subject Item:

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY APPROVING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND CIVIC CENTER PARK PROJECT

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Land and Water Conservation Fund Program (LWCF) was established in 1965, and originally was authorized for a 25-year period. It has been extended for another 25 years until January 2015. Funds are provided to federal agencies and to states. The National Park Service (NPS) and California State Parks (CSP) administer the program.

The State Department of Parks and Recreation is accepting grant applications for the Land and Water Conservation Fund. The funds are limited to outdoor recreation purposes and to indoor facilities, which support outdoor recreation activities.

The types of projects most often funded are acquisition or development of neighborhood community, and regional parks that include top priority recreation projects or acquisition of wetlands. The combination of acquisition and development projects are not eligible.

Staff is proposing the submittal of a grant application for this competitive program, for the addition of a Picnic Area and Tot Lot at Civic Center Park. These improvements shall include picnic tables, shelter, barbecue grills, trash receptacles, drinking fountain (handicap accessible), benches and bike rack. The Tot Lot will include a large play area with play equipment, sand and a walkway with a guardrail. Landscaping surrounding this picnic tot lot area will include trees, shrubs, ground cover, grass, river rock and boulders.

Staff is requesting through the application a minimum of \$234,600 in grant funds, for a total project cost of \$469,200. (This grant is 50% reimbursable).

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Resolution No. 2008-09, authorizing submittal of an application for Land and Water Conservation Funds and designating the Town Manager, or his designee, as the authorized signer on behalf of the Town.

Proposed by: Municipal Services

Item Number _____

T. M. Approval: _____ **Budgeted Item** Yes No N/A

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-09

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WHEREAS, the Congress under Public Law 88-578 has authorized the establishment of a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant-In-Aid Program, providing Matching funds to the State of California and its political subdivision for acquiring lands and developing Facilities for public outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Parks and Recreation is responsible for administration of the program in the State, setting up necessary rules and procedures governing Applications by local agencies under the program; and

WHEREAS, said adopted procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of Applications and the availability of eligible Matching funds prior to submission of said Applications to the State; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Civic Center Park Project is consistent with the most recent *California Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP)*; and

WHEREAS, the Project must be compatible with the land use plans of those jurisdictions immediately surrounding Project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Apple Valley hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an Application for Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance; and
2. Certifies that said agency has Matching funds from the following source(s): General Fund and can finance 100 percent of the Project, which up to half may be reimbursed; and
3. Certifies that the Project is compatible with the land use plans of those jurisdictions immediately surrounding the Project; and
4. Appoints the Town Manager, or his designee, as agent of the Applicant to conduct all negotiations and execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, Applications, contracts, amendments, payment requests, and compliance with all applicable current state and federal laws which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned Project.

Adopted by the Town Council and signed by the Mayor and attested by the Town Clerk this 11th Day of March, 2008.

Timothy J. Jasper, Mayor

ATTEST:

La Vonda M. Pearson, Town Clerk