

**2H. Consideration of adopting Resolution 2023-77 accepting grant funding from Wright County Aggregate Tax Fund in the amount of \$30,000 for the City of Monticello turf conversion projects**

<b>Prepared by:</b> Parks & Recreation Director	<b>Meeting Date:</b> 9/11/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent Agenda Item</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Regular Agenda Item</b>
<b>Reviewed by:</b> Finance Director	<b>Approved by:</b> City Administrator	

**ACTION REQUESTED**

Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-77 accepting a grant from Wright County Aggregate Tax Fund in the amount of \$30,000 for the City of Monticello turf conversion projects.

**REFERENCE AND BACKGROUND**

The City Council is being asked to accept grant funding from Wright County Aggregate Tax Fund in the amount of \$30,000 to be used for turf conversion projects within the city. The City of Monticello is converting four locations from turf grass into native prairie grasses. Project areas include Sunset Ponds, River Mill, Parkside Park, and the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

As required by state statute, when the City accepts the grant funds, the City Council is required to adopt a resolution specifying the amount of the grant funds and use.

- I. **Budget Impact:** The 2023 Parks budget includes \$10,000 for seed so staff can convert the identified areas. In addition, the Sewer Fund budget includes \$75,000 for contracted seeding at the wastewater treatment plant. The \$30,000 in funding support will allow consulting services to develop native prairies to save staff time and offset costs.
- II. **Staff Workload Impact:** Management of grant and contract agreements.
- III. **Comprehensive Plan Impact:** The Monticello 2040 Comprehensive Plan includes commitment to maintain and enhance a park and recreation system includes both active and passive recreation, healthy lifestyles, access to wildlife and nature, and reflects the community’s value for a world-class park system and variety of recreational experiences.

**IV. STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

City staff recommend adopting Resolution 2023-77 accepting the grant funds.

**SUPPORTING DATA**

- Resolution 2023-77

CITY OF MONTICELLO  
WRIGHT COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-77

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING FROM  
WRIGHT COUNTY AGGREGATE TAX FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000

**WHEREAS**, The City of Monticello was notified by Wright County Aggregate Tax Fund that the City received a grant of \$30,000 for the City of Monticello turf conversion projects; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a local match of \$10,000;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTICELLO:** That the City Council authorizes accepting grant funding of \$30,000 from Wright County Aggregate Tax Fund.

Adopted by the Monticello City Council this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

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Lloyd Hilgart, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Schreiber, City Clerk