

Resolution NO. 2022-\_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF BRYANT TO UTILIZE THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM'S OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, Bryant, Arkansas seeks to improve the recreation facilities and wishes to seek grant funding assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to obtain the funds necessary to develop and/or improve the site for such a recreation area, it is necessary to obtain a 50/50 Matching Grant from the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism's Outdoor Recreation Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the plans for such recreation areas have been prepared and the price therefore has been established; and

**WHEREAS**, this governing body understands the grantee and grantor will enter into a binding agreement which obligates both parties to policies and procedures contained in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grants Manual including, but not limited to the following; the park area defined by the project boundary map, submitted in the application, must remain in outdoor recreation use in perpetuity, regardless if the property is bought or developed with matching grant funds and; all present and future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be routed away or placed underground and; the project area must remain open and available for use by the public at all reasonable times of the day and year; facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc. but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use, and; the project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe healthful manner.

City Council is well aware and apprised of the above-mentioned project, and will provide the local portion of the development cost of the entire project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Bryant, Arkansas that the Mayor is hereby authorized to make application to the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism for assistance to develop recreational facilities in Mills Park located at 1003 Mills Park Road for the City; therefore such application shall be submitted as expediently as possible.

**The Parks Department is going to ask for \$166,437.80 and will be obligated to match with another \$166,437.80, with the full amount to be budgeted in 001-0410-5816. This project's funding will come out of City savings. This Resolution, if the Grant is awarded, acts as authorization for this expenditure and is an obligation of those matching funds of Budgetary Purposes.**

**THIS RESOLUTION** adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Smith, City Clerk

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Allen Scott, Mayor