

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT:

Approval of a grant application to the National Park Service for technical assistance with community trail planning and authorizing the City Manager to execute all contract documents associated with the grant if awarded.

BACKGROUND / RATIONALE:

The National Park Service Rivers, Trails and conservation Assistance program supports successful partnerships with communities across America in achieving their conservation and outdoor recreation visions.

The Parks and Recreation Department is seeking technical assistance to achieve three goals:

1. Engage the community in trail planning for three trail segments identified in the City Hike and Bike Trail: Dry Comal Creek, Alligator Creek watershed, and FM 306 to Gruene Road
2. Develop a brand for each community trail
3. Develop a master plan design for each trail segment community trail

There is no match required for the program, however city staff will assist the NPS as the trail program is developed with items such as community notifications, identification of stakeholders, maps, and sharing of relevant data regarding the area.

ADDRESSES A NEED/ISSUE IN A CITY PLAN OR COUNCIL PRIORITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

This technical assistance grant does not require a match from the City of New Braunfels.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board voted to support the application to the National Park Service at their meeting on June 20, 2017.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a grant application to the National Park Service for technical assistance with community trail planning and authorizing the City Manager to execute all contract documents associated with the grant, if awarded.