

Mayor and Council Communication

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M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 25-0009

LOG NAME: 80MILLION COACHES GRANT

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Application for and Acceptance of, if Awarded, the National Recreation and Park Association Million Coaches Challenge Grant to Occur in Fiscal Year 2025, in an Amount Up to \$4,000.00, Authorize Execution of Related Grant Agreement, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the application for and acceptance of, if awarded, the Million Coaches Challenge Grant from the National Recreation and Park Association in an amount up to \$4,000.00;
 2. Authorize execution of a grant agreement with National Recreation and Park Association for the Fiscal Year 2025 Million Coaches Challenge Grant; and
 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Operating Other Fund, in the amount of \$4,000.00, subject to receipt of the grant, for the purpose of funding the training efforts related to training volunteer coaches for the Youth Sports program.
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DISCUSSION:

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Million Coaches Challenge Grant is designed to complement and enhance existing training and ensure all people interacting with youth have essential skills to promote relationship building, leadership and teamwork, cultural humility, conflict resolution, unconscious bias, building understanding, and more. The goal is ensuring park and recreation agencies have access to high-quality training programs that reduce burden on leadership to curate staff and volunteer trainings as well as building the knowledge of park and recreation professionals, seasonal staff, coaches and volunteers trained in youth development core competencies.

As part of the grant award, all City of Fort Worth Volunteer Youth Coaches will gain access to selected training offerings including sessions provided by the Aspen Institute's Project Play, Nike, the US Olympic & Paralympic Committee as well as the Positive Coaching Alliance.

Award of this grant and receipt of funds will occur in Fiscal Year 2025. No matching funds are required and no indirect cost will be incurred by the City of Fort Worth via the acceptance of this grant. No employee salaries will be paid utilizing the grant funds. The total grant amount is \$4,000.00. These funds will be used to further training opportunities for staff and volunteer coaches.

The grant application repository number is GRNT-APPL-0000000101.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Grants Operating Other Fund. The Park & Recreation Department (and Financial Management Services) will be responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Park & Recreation Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds. This is an advance grant.

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