



STAFF REPORT

DATE: 8/8/2018

CONSENT

ITEM #: 9

MOTION

TO: City Council

FROM: Rob Weldon, Public Works Director

AGENDA ITEM: Sunfish Lake Park Cross Country Trail Grooming Grant

REVIEWED BY: Kristina Handt, City Administrator

BACKGROUND:

For the past several years, the City has been a participant in the Cross Country Ski Trail Assistance Program sponsored by the Minnesota DNR. This program allows for reimbursement of costs related to maintaining the ski trails in the forms of fall trail maintenance and winter trail grooming. The proposed application would cover the 2018/2019 ski season in Sunfish Lake Park.

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:

Should the city pursue submission of a grant application for Cross Country Trail Grooming Reimbursement at Sunfish Lake Park?

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS:

Each year the City of Lake Elmo has participated in the Cross Country Ski Trail Assistance Program for the trail system in Sunfish Lake Park. The fund allocations are driven by the number of participants in the program and the number of trail miles being maintained. The city has consistently received \$4,000-\$4,500 per year in grant funds to cover a portion of the costs related to the Cross Country Ski Trail maintenance in Sunfish Lake Park. These funds are used to help offset the cost of fall trail preparations and the cost of grooming throughout the winter months. A requirement of the application process is to attach a resolution providing City Council approval to sponsor the participation in the program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

- If awarded, the city could receive approximately \$4,000 to \$4,500 to help offset the cost of trail maintenance.

OPTIONS:

- Approve participation in Cross Country Trail Grooming Grant
- Deny participation in Cross Country Trail Grooming Grant
- Table for future discussion

RECOMMENDATION:

*“Motion to approve **Resolution #** to approve grant submission to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for Cross Country Ski Trail Grant-In-Aid Program.”*

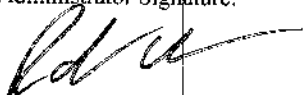
ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution
- Grant Application

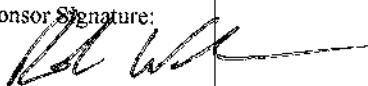


**MINNESOTA CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TRAIL GRANT-IN-AID PROGRAM
MAINTENANCE AND GROOMING APPLICATION**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Trail Name: Sunfish Lake Park Cross Country Ski Trail		Base Ski GIA Grant Amount: \$ 4,500.00
Trail Association or Club Name (if applicable): City of Lake Elmo		Miles of Trail in GIA Program:
Trail Administrator Name: Rob Weldon	Trail Administrator Email: rweldon@lakeelmo.org	Trail Administrator Phone: 651-747-3941
Trail Administrator/Association Mailing Address (Street, Box Number, City, State, and Zip Code): 3880 Laverne Ave. N Lake Elmo, MN 55042		
Trail Administrator Signature: 		Trail Administrator Signed Date: 6/18/2018

UNIT OF GOVERNMENT/SPONSOR APPROVAL

Unit of Government Sponsor: City of Lake Elmo	Sponsor Email: rweldon@lakeelmo.org	Sponsor Phone: 651-747-3941
Authorized Representative of Sponsor Name: Rob Weldon	Authorized Representative of Sponsor Title: Public Works Director	
Sponsor Mailing Address (Street, Box Number, City, State, and Zip Code): 3880 Laverne Ave. N Lake Elmo, MN 55042		
Sponsor Signature: 		Sponsor Signed Date: 6/18/2018

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Final Grooming Request for Reimbursement from Previous Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Unit of Government/Sponsor Resolution
<input type="checkbox"/>	Map of Ski GIA Trail
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sign Order (if applicable)

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES APPROVAL OF APPLICATION

Parks and Trails Area Supervisor Signature:	Signed Date:
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