



Legislation Text

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Supervisor Hidahl recommending the Board:

- 1) Find that a public benefit is derived from supporting 501(c) (3) 83-1009784 Walk With Austin, in conjunction with the El Dorado Hills Community Services District, in their efforts to build an inclusive playground in El Dorado County at the new park at Bass Lake in El Dorado Hills; and
- 2) Approve and authorize the Chief Administration Officer to sign a funding agreement, consistent with the county's standard form and upon the approval of County Counsel, with Walk With Austin authorizing payment of the \$5,000 community funding contribution in support of these efforts

FUNDING: Community Funding.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

Walk With Austin is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, born out of a desire to share about special needs parenting and to provide more opportunities for fun for other kids with mobility differences. An ALL-ABILITIES playground would serve the community in all the ways a traditional playground would - exercise, play outside, gathering place - but with the added bonus of serving members of the community who aren't typically able to utilize standard playgrounds. Key differences such as rubber rock ground surfacing, adaptive swings, slides, ramp play structures and sensory friendly equipment all cost more, but allow more of our community to play together in the same place. The goal is to bring an ability inclusive playground to El Dorado County, where every child can play, have fun and feel welcome.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could choose not to approve the funding request, and no funding would be provided in support of these efforts.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Walk With Austin

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Board of Supervisors allocated \$50,000 in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget in General Fund - Other Operations (Department 15) to be available for community funding requests supported by the Board. Approval of this item would allocate \$5,000 from this amount. There is no additional impact to the General Fund due to the approval of this agreement.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Healthy Communities

Improved health, well-being and self-sufficiency of El Dorado County communities, residents and

visitors. Encourage and support through policy and resources the pursuit of local, state and federal, private and public funding opportunities to support and promote healthy communities.

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