

## CITY COUNCIL

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**Agenda Item No.: 15**

**Date: January 25, 2012**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Rich Buquet, Neighborhood Services Manager

**SUBJECT:** Accept the Final Escondido Creek Master Plan and Authorize Staff to Seek and Acquire Grants to Continue Creek Revitalization.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is requested that Council adopt Resolution No. 2012-11 accepting the final Escondido Creek Master Plan and authorizing staff to seek and acquire grant funding that will enable the City to continue revitalization of the Escondido Creek.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

This action will have no impact on the General Fund. Grant funds, if awarded, will be used to pay project costs. Matching funds, if necessary, will be funded with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds pending future City Council approval.

**COUNCIL ACTION PLAN:**

The revitalization of the Escondido Creek is consistent with the City Council Action Plan's image and Appearance priority.

**PREVIOUS ACTION:**

On October 28, 2009, City Council approved an amendment to the FY 2007-2008 Action Plan for CDBG funds to provide matching funds for a study conducted by Cal Poly Pomona architectural landscaping graduate students to revitalize the Escondido Creek area

On January 27, 2010, City Council approved Resolution No. 2010-13 authorizing a research agreement with Cal Poly Pomona Foundation, Inc. to create a comprehensive vision plan for the Escondido Creek Trail.

On January 26, 2011, City Council approved Resolution 2011-16 authorizing the filing of an application for Healthy Community Planning Grant funds through SANDAG.

BACKGROUND:

On April 29, 2011, The City of Escondido was awarded a Healthy Community Planning Grant in the amount of \$75,000 to be used for the Escondido Creek Master Plan.

On June 6, 2011, City of Escondido entered into a contract with Schmidt Design to develop the Escondido Creek Master Plan. The plan would be based on the comprehensive vision plan conducted by Cal Poly with the goal of connecting the residents of the underserved Mission Park neighborhood to resources, healthy food and healthcare facilities as well as to promote pedestrian and bicycle friendly neighborhoods.

Staff is recommending that council adopt Resolution No. 2012-11 accepting the final Escondido Creek Master Plan and authorizing staff to seek and acquire grants that will enable the city to continue revitalization of the Escondido Creek.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rich Buquet  
Neighborhood Services Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO ACCEPTING THE  
FINAL CREEK TRAIL MASTER PLANNING  
REPORT AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO  
SEEK GRANTS AS APPROPRIATE FOR  
DEVELOPMENT OF THE CREEK TRAIL

WHEREAS, the City of Escondido has a seven-mile Class 1 bike path route along the maintenance right-of-way of the Escondido flood control channel, commonly referred to as the "Escondido Creek Trail;" and

WHEREAS, the City contracted with the Schmidt Design Group to develop the Escondido Creek Trail Master Plan funded by Healthy Community grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received and supports the objectives of the Creek Trail Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to seek any and all sources of funding for the Creek Trail;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true.
2. That the City Council of the City of Escondido accepts the final Escondido Creek Master Plan.
3. That the City Council of the City of Escondido authorizes the Director of Community Services or his designee to seek and acquire grants from any and all sources that will enable the City to revitalize the Escondido Creek Trail.