

## CITY COUNCIL

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**Agenda Item No.: 4**  
**Date: April 25, 2012**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
**FROM:** Jerry H. Van Leeuwen, Director of Community Services  
**SUBJECT:** Park Development Opportunities

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is requested that Council adopt Resolution No. 2012-57 authorizing the Director of Community Services to submit an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for a Housing-Related Parks Program Grant.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS:**

The requested grant will provide up to \$219,650 to be used for park and recreation facility creation, development or rehabilitation. No match is required.

**PREVIOUS ACTION:**

The City received similar funds and used them to install improvements at the Joslyn Senior Center.

**BACKGROUND:**

HCD has provided an opportunity to submit grant applications to park and recreation facility creation, development or rehabilitation. The purpose of this program is to provide financial incentives to cities and counties with documented housing starts for newly constructed units affordable to very low or low-income households. Due to City investment in Juniper Senior Village and The Crossings, the City is now able to apply for \$219,650 in order to construct, rehabilitate or acquire capital assets and/or costs incidental to but directly related to the construction or acquisition of a capital asset. The application does not obligate the City for any future activity but acknowledges past efforts. Possible projects include funding a community garden (open to all) at El Norte Blvd and Broadway as a part of the El Norte Apartments project, funding a portion of the Creekwalk build out at Elm Street, or another activity. The application does not require the City to identify the specific project to be funded. However, a resolution from the Council is required to complete the application by April 30, 2012.


The City will be notified of the grant award. At that time, the amount of the award will be known and options on various projects will be brought to Council for discussion and direction.

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Respectfully submitted,



Jerry VanLeeuwen, Director  
Community Service

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-57

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA,  
AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR  
HOUSING-RELATED PARKS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) has issued a Notice of Funding Availability dated December 2, 2011 ("NOFA"), under its Housing Related Parks ("HRP") Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Escondido ("Applicant") desires to apply for a HRP Program grant and submit the 2011 Designated Program Year Application Package released by the Department for the HRP Program; and

WHEREAS, the Department is authorized to approve funding allocations for the HRP Program, subject to the terms and conditions of the NOFA, Program Guidelines, Application Package, and Standard Agreement.

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. Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to apply for and submit to the Department the HRP Program Application Package released January 2012 for the 2011 Designated Program Year. If the application is approved, the Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver a State of California Standard Agreement (Standard Agreement), and any and all other documents required or

deemed necessary or appropriate to secure the HRP Program Grant from the Department, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "HRP Grant Documents").

3. Applicant shall be subject to the terms and conditions as specified in the Standard Agreement. Funds are to be used for allowable capital asset project expenditures to be identified in Exhibit "A" of the Standard Agreement. The application in full is incorporated as part of the Standard Agreement. Any and all activities funded, information provided, and timelines represented in the application are enforceable through the Standard Agreement. Applicant hereby agrees to use the funds for eligible capital asset(s) in the manner presented in the application as approved by the Department and in accordance with the NOFA and Program Guidelines and Application Package.

4. That the Director of Community Services and the City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute in the name of the Applicant the HRP Program Application Package and the HRP Grant Documents as required by the Department for participation in the HRP Program.