

# Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Xavier D. Urrutia

## COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City-Wide

## SUBJECT:

Acceptance of Grant Funds from National Recreation and Park Association

### SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of grant funds from the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) to provide wellness programming for seniors over the course of a year and establishes a project budget in the amount of \$22,500.00. This ordinance also authorizes the Parks and Recreation Director to execute any and all related documents and accept any additional NRPA funds that may become available for this project during the term of this grant.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is the leading non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of public parks, recreation, and conservation. Humana approached NRPA with grant funds to create a senior focused wellness program in San Antonio. Based on the grantor's requirements, the San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department was identified to receive these funds and no formal submission for this award was required.

The grant funds will be used to conduct a series of six wellness and physical fitness competitions over the course of a one year period, targeted towards seniors. The program will be free and open to participants over the age of sixty. Free wellness classes and preparation opportunities, prior to the competitions, will be offered at participating local adult and senior facilities throughout the duration of the grant period.

## **ISSUE:**

The NRPA grant is consistent with City policy to apply for grants to enhance service delivery by supplementing local funds. Grant funds would be utilized to provide wellness programming for senior citizens, consistent with the Adopted Parks and Recreation System Strategic Plan.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

NRPA grant funds are awarded on a limited basis and if the City chooses not to accept the grant, the City will lose the opportunity to provide this wellness programming for seniors.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

This action has no general fund impact. No matching or other additional funding for this grant is required. This action will establish a project budget in the amount of \$22,500.00 for wellness programming for seniors.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends accepting this grant from the NRPA, in partnership with Humana for senior wellness programming and establishes a project budget of \$22,500.00.