#### City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

2014-0276

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7/15/2014

City Council Meeting Date - Agenda Item Only
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Matt Mihalevich

6/23/2014

Engineering /
Development Services Department

**Submitted By** 

**Submitted Date** 

**Division / Department** 

## **Action Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of grant agreement #2014-731 with the Walton Family Foundation in the amount of \$815,000 and approval of a budget adjustment to recognize revenue. The grant funds will be used for the construction of three sections of the Town Branch Trail from Walker Park west to Interstate 49.

#### **Budget Impact:** 4470.9470.5814.05 Sales Tax Cap Imp **Account Number** Fund 02016 Trail Development **Project Number Project Title Budgeted Item? Current Budget** \$ 3,625,008.00 Yes **Funds Obligated** 1,952,546.00 \$ **Current Balance** 1,672,462.00 Does item have a cost? Item Cost No **Budget Adjustment Attached?** 815,000.00 Yes **Budget Adjustment** \$ **Remaining Budget** 2,487,462.00

Previous Ordinance or Resolution #

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# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO

#### MEETING OF JULY 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2014

TO:

Mayor and City Council

THRU:

Don Marr, Chief of Staff

Jeremy Pate, Development Services Director

Chris Brown, City Engineer

FROM:

Matt Mihalevich, Trails Coordinator

DATE:

June 26th, 2014

SUBJECT:

**Walton Family Foundation Grant Acceptance – Town Branch Trail** 

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of grant agreement #2014-731 with the Walton Family Foundation in the amount of \$815,000 and approval of a budget adjustment to recognize this revenue. The grant funds will be used for the construction of three sections of the Town Branch Trail from Walker Park west to Interstate 49.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The development of the Regional Park and acquisition of the Mt Kessler property has spurred an interest for completing a series of planned trails in south Fayetteville that would connect the Regional Park and Mt. Kessler properties to the Razorback Regional Greenway. On April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 the extension of the Frisco Trail from MLK Boulevard southward to Walker Park opened to the public allowing increased connectivity to the southern areas of Fayetteville. With this critical connection complete, the Fayetteville Alternative Transportation and Trails (FATT) Master Plan envisions a series of three trails extending to the south; the Tsa-La-Gi Trail located parallel to MLK Blvd, which is 80% completed, the Town Branch Trail that is located south of 15<sup>th</sup> Street and is partially completed and the Cato Springs Trail which follows the Cato Springs Branch and will pass over the Fulbright Expressway and under I-49 along Razorback Road. With this grant award, the City of Fayetteville will complete the Tsa-La-Gi and Town Branch Trails identified as Project 1 and divided into phases A, B and C on the attached map. The 5 year trails work plan includes these three trail connections to be designed and constructed in-house by the City's Engineering and Transportation Divisions.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The completion of the Town Branch and Tsa-La-Gi Trails will provide the basis for the further expansion of the trail system to the Regional Park and Mt. Kessler preserve through the future construction of the Cato Springs and Shiloh Trails. The south Fayetteville trail network, once completed, will connect the entire Northwest Arkansas region to the open space amenities provided by the Mt. Kessler preserve and Regional Park via the Razorback Regional Greenway. The qualitative benefits of this extensive active transportation network will advance regional sustainability through reductions in vehicle miles travelled, increased opportunities for

community health and wellness benefits and through the exposure that people will have to the adjacent natural systems replete with flora and fauna.

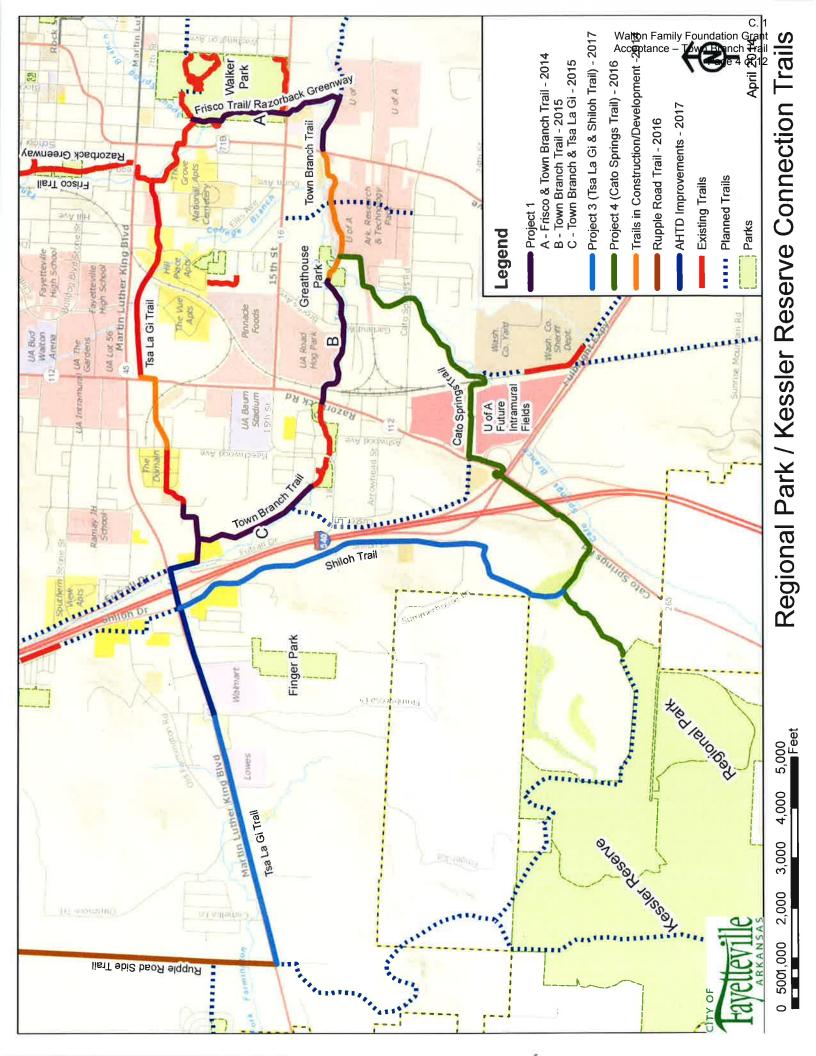
## **BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:**

The Walton Family Foundation Grant is a 50:50 matching grant program. The City portion of the matching funds are available through the Trail Development Capital Improvement Program for 2014 and 2015. The \$815,000 in grant funding will be divided into the three trail project phases as described below and shown on the attached map:

Project A – Walker Park to 71B	\$325,000 (2014)
Project B – Greathouse Park to Razorback Road	\$230,000 (2015)
Project C - Beechwood to Hollywood Streets	\$260,000 (2015)
	\$ 815,000

#### Attachments:

Walton Family Foundation Grant #2014-731 agreement Map - Regional Park/Kessler Reserve Connection Trails



A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE CITY COUNCIL'S THANKS AND GRATITUDE TO THE WALTON FAMILY FOUNDATION FOR ITS GENEROUS \$815,000.00 MATCHING GRANT FOR THE COMPLETION OF TOWN BRANCH AND TSA-LA-GI TRAILS, TO APPROVE THE GRANT AGREEMENT AND TO APPROVE A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO RECOGNIZE THIS \$815,000.00 GRANT

**WHEREAS**, the Walton Family Foundation has proven to be a strong supporter of Fayetteville's trail systems including the Mount Kessler acquisition; and

**WHEREAS**, the Walton Family Foundation has offered a 50/50 grant in the amount of \$815,000.00 for the completion of the Town Branch and Tsa-La-Gi Trails which will provide the basis for further expansion of our trail system to our Regional Park.

# NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby thanks and expresses its gratitude to the Walton Family Foundation for its generous \$815,000.00 matching grant for the completion of Town Branch and Tsa-La-Gi Trails, approves the attached Grant Agreement, authorizes Mayor Jordan to sign this Grant Agreement and agrees to match the grant using the Trail Development Capital Improvement Program.

<u>Section 1</u>: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby approves the attached budget adjustment.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014.

APPROVED:	ATTEST:
By:	By:SONDRA E. SMITH, City Clerk/Treasurer

# City of Fayetteville, Arkansas - Budget Adjustment Form (Legistar)

Budget Year
Division: Development Services
Dept.: Development Services
Requestor: Matt Mihalevich

Dept.: Development Services

## **BUDGET ADJUSTMENT DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:**

The Walton Family Foundation approved the City's application for a grant in the amount of \$815,000 for the construction of the Town Branch Trail to be divided into three funding phases. This grant requires a 50:50 match with the City portion available through the Trail Development Capital Improvement Program for budget years 2014 and 2015.

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CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE MAYOR'S OFFICE

Mayor Lioneld Jordan City of Fayetteville 113 W. Mountain Street Fayetteville, AR 72701

RE: Grant #2014-731

Dear Mayor Jordan,

It is my pleasure to inform you that The Walton Family Foundation, Inc. ("WFF" - the "Foundation") has approved a grant in the amount of up to \$815,000.00 to the City of Fayetteville (the "Grantee"). This grant is subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. **Purpose:** The purpose of the grant is to provide funding to complete the Tsa-La-Gi and Town Branch Trails. The successful completion of these two trails will create a key East-West Loop at the southern terminus of the Razorback Regional Greenway. This grant is more fully described in Grantee's proposal dated April 22, 2014. Grantee agrees to use all grant funds exclusively for the grant's purposes. Any changes in these purposes must be authorized in advance by the Foundation in writing.
- 2. Amount: Up to Eight Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$815,000.00).
- Payable: Upon receipt of a copy of this letter acknowledging the terms and conditions set forth herein, payments in the amount of up to \$815,000 shall be eligible for payment on a drawdown basis no more frequently than monthly. With each payment request, the City will submit a report outlining work completed and expenses incurred to date, as well as all paid invoices. A WFF consultant will inspect work completed for adherence to design standards as well as original budget and, upon approval, WFF will reimburse no more than 50% of paid invoices and eligible expenses, not to exceed 50% of the cost of construction, up to \$815,000. All payment requests must be received no later than December 1, 2015 to be eligible for payment.

All payments shall be contingent upon the Foundation's approval of the Grantee's activities of the grant as evidenced by the reports described in paragraph 5) below and other information the Foundation may gather.

- **Accounting:** (a) The Foundation encourages, whenever feasible, the deposit of grant funds in an interest-bearing account. For purposes of this letter, the term "grant funds" includes the grant and any income earned thereon.
- Grantee will maintain records of receipts and expenditures made in connection with the grant funds and will keep these records during the period covered by the Grantee's reporting obligations specified in paragraph 5 and for at least four years thereafter ("Maintenance Period"). Grantee will make its books and records in connection with the grant funds available for inspection by

the Foundation during normal business hours as the Foundation may request at any time during the Maintenance Period.

5. **Reporting and Evaluation:** Grantee will provide the Foundation with financial and narrative reports by the due dates listed in the report schedule below. Each report shall include an account of expenditures of grant funds, and a brief narrative of what was accomplished (including a description of progress made in fulfilling the purposes of the grant and a confirmation of Grantee's compliance with the terms of the grant).

Report Date	Report Type				
12/15/2014	Financial & Narrative				
6/30/2015	Financial & Narrative				
12/31/2015	Final report - end of grant				

Success will be measured against the outputs and outcomes described in Appendix A.

All reports will be sent electronically to HomeRegion@wffmail.com. Please reference Grant #2014-731 on all reports submitted.

Grantee payments are always contingent upon the Foundation's approval of Grantee's operations based on the above reports and the Foundation's satisfaction with such information as it chooses to obtain from other sources.

- 6. **Representations:** Grantee represents and warrants to the Foundation that:
- (a) Grantee is an organization in good standing, is either an organization described in section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code") or a governmental unit, and is not a "private foundation" described in section 509(a) of the Code. Grantee will promptly notify the Foundation of any change in Grantee's tax status under the Code.
  - (b) In no event will Grantee use any grant funds:
    - (i) to carry on propaganda, or otherwise to attempt, to influence legislation;
- (ii) to influence the outcome of any specific public election or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive; or
- (iii) to undertake any activity other than for a charitable, educational or other exempt purpose specified in section 170(c)(2)(B) of the Code.
  - (c) Grantee will comply with all applicable laws and regulations.
- 7. **Repayment:** Grantee agrees to repay to the Foundation any portion of the grant funds not used for the grant's purposes. In addition, the Foundation may discontinue any further payments to Grantee, and may direct Grantee to repay any unexpended grant funds to the Foundation, if any of the following events occurs:

- (i) Grantee ceases to maintain its tax-exempt status as described in paragraph 6(a) above;
  - (ii) Grantee fails to comply with the terms of this letter; or
- (iii) There is a material change in Grantee's key personnel that in the sole opinion of the Foundation adversely affects Grantee's management of the grant.
- 8. **Release and Indemnity:** Unless prohibited by law, Grantee shall release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Foundation and its directors, officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, actions, suits, demands, damages, losses, expenses and liabilities, arising out of or related in any way to the actions or omissions of Grantee (or its directors, officers, employees, agents or contractors) in connection with the Grant and the project funded by the Grant, except to the extent caused by the Foundation's (or its directors', officers', employees' or agents') negligent actions or omissions. Grantee further agrees to carry insurance in such forms and amounts as are commercially reasonable and appropriate to cover Grantee's operations and to enable Grantee to indemnify and defend the Foundation as provided hereunder.
- 9. **Grant Publicity:** Grant publicity related to this grant consistent with Grantee's normal practice is permitted, subject to the following provisions. The Foundation expects any announcements and other publicity to focus on Grantee's work and the project or issue funded by the grant. Recognition of the Foundation's role in funding the project is permitted, provided that the timing, content and strategic focus of such publicity should be approved by the Foundation contact listed in paragraph 11. Publicizing the grant and the Foundation in Grantee's publications and communications in a manner consistent with similar grants obtained by Grantee is permitted.

The Foundation may ask Grantee to provide illustrations, photographs, videos, recordings, information or other materials related to the grant (collectively "Grant Work Product") for use in Foundation communications including the Foundation's website, annual report, newsletters, board materials, presentations, communications and other publications. Grantee agrees to provide the Foundation with such items upon the Foundation's reasonable request and hereby grants to the Foundation and anyone acting under the authority of the Foundation a fully paid-up, world-wide, right and license to use, reproduce, display and distribute the Grant Work Product in connection with the Foundation's charitable operations and activities. In connection therewith, Grantee shall be responsible for obtaining all necessary rights and permissions from third parties for the Foundation to use the Grant Work Product for these purposes. By signing this Agreement, Grantee also acknowledges and agrees to use by the Foundation of historical, programmatic and other information relating to Grantee and the grant hereunder.

- 10. **Gratuities:** The Foundation desires that all of Grantee's resources be dedicated to accomplishing its philanthropic purposes. Therefore, Grantee agrees that it will not furnish the Foundation or its Board of Directors, officers, staff or affiliates with any type of benefit related to this grant including tickets, tables, memberships, commemorative items, recognition items, or any other benefit or gratuity of any kind.
- 11. **Contact:** For all communications regarding this grant, please contact the Foundation by email at HomeRegion@wffmail.com. Please reference Grant #2014-731 in your communication.

We have enclosed two original grant letters. Please sign one copy as Grantee's acknowledgment of the terms and conditions herein stated and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. If the signed acknowledgment of this letter is not received in the Foundation's office by June 30, 2014, the Foundation will consider the Grantee to have declined the grant.

On behalf of the Foundation, I extend every good wish for the success of your organization's endeavors.

Sincerely,

Buddy D. Philpot Executive Director

ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

City of Fayetteville

# Appendix A: City of Fayetteville Town Branch/Tsa-La-Gi Loop Trail

## Output Performance Measures:

- The City will successfully acquire all rights-of-way or easements needed to complete this trail by November 2015.
- The City will complete construction of a minimum of 10,975 linear feet of 12' wide concrete trail by December 2015. This trail will be a minimum of 12' wide concrete and will be built to uniform design and construction standards per design guidelines outlined in the "Trail Design Resource Notebook" developed by ALTA Planning and utilized for the Razorback Regional Greenway as evidenced by inspection of WFF consultant.

## Outcome Performance Measures:

• By January 2016, the City will commit to manage and maintain this section of trail to the same standards as the Razorback Regional Greenway as evidenced by a signed letter by the Mayor.