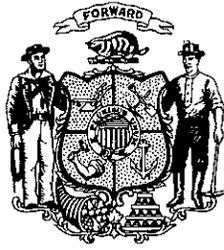


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Joint Committee on Finance

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling
Representative John Nygren

Date: April 20, 2017

Re: 14-Day Passive Review Approval – DNR

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m), Stats., attached is a 14-day passive review request from the Department of Natural Resources, received on April 20, 2017.

Please review the material and notify **Senator Darling** or **Representative Nygren** no later than **Tuesday, May 9, 2017**, if you have any concerns about the request or if you would like the Committee to meet formally to consider it.

Also, please contact us if you need further information.

Attachments

AD:JN:jm

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April 20, 2017

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The Honorable John Nygren, Co-Chair
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Dear Senator Darling and Representative Nygren:

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m), Wis. Stats., the Department is notifying you as co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Finance of a proposed development grant to the City of Delafield for the St. John's Park Development project.

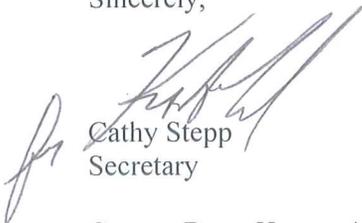
The City requested grant assistance to construct pathways, picnic tables, lighting, fishing access points, and an accessible canoe/kayak launch in St. John's Park. As part of this project, the City will also remove a navigation impediment on the Bark River. St. John's Park is located in downtown Delafield with 241 feet of river frontage just downstream of Nagawicka Lake.

The proposed grant award of \$317,458 from the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program. The award amount represents 50% of the estimated total project costs.

As provided in s. 23.0917(6m)(a), Wis. Stats., if the Department does not receive notification of the scheduling of a hearing from either of the Joint Committee on Finance co-chairpersons within 14 working days from today, the Department will award this grant.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Cathy Stepp
Secretary

Cc: Doug Haag – Administrator, Division of Internal Services
Terry Bay – Director, Bureau of Facilities & Lands

Enclosure

DATE: April 20, 2017

TO: Members of the Joint Committee on Finance

FROM: Cathy Stepp, Secretary

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF STEWARDSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR FUNDING GREATER THAN \$250,000: ST. JOHN'S PARK DEVELOPMENT, CITY OF DELAFIELD

Pursuant to s.s. 23.0917(6m)(a) and (c), Wis. Stats., the Department is notifying you of a proposed Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program grant in the amount of \$317,458.00 to the City of Delafield for the development of St. John's Park and navigability improvements on the Bark River for canoes and kayaks. The Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program is funded under s. 20.866(2)(ta), Wis. Stats.

I. PROJECT DETAILS:

Project Sponsor: City of Delafield

Grant sub-program: Acquisition and Development of Local Parks

County: Waukesha

Location: St. John's Park is located downtown Delafield (826 Genesee St.) with 241 feet of frontage on the Bark River, just downstream of Nagawicka Lake.

Project Description: The proposed project will develop St. John's Park which the City acquired in 2015. The project will provide an accessible canoe and kayak launch on the Bark River, which is a popular waterway for nonmotorized boating. The City will construct pathways connecting to Genesee Street, picnic tables, lighting, shore fishing access, landscaping, and river bank restoration. In addition to work in the park, the City will bury a 12-inch water main that currently crosses the Bark River one block downstream of the park just above the water line. The water main has been a barrier to navigation on the Bark River for decades. The water main serves fish rearing ponds once operated at the historic Delafield Fish Hatchery Facility. This facility is currently owned and operated by the City to promote youth fishing.

Project Goals: The St. John's Park project implements goals of the Wisconsin Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and the following local/regional plans:

- City of Delafield Park and Recreation Plan
- City of Delafield 2030 Comprehensive Plan
- Waukesha County Park and Open Space Plan

Burial of the water main and installation of an accessible launch together represent a significant enhancement of the Bark River as a recreational resource. All paddlers will be able to launch directly into the Bark River navigate this segment without the need to portage.

Public Uses: St. Johns Park will be available to the public seven days per week, 365 days per year. Users will be able to launch canoes and kayaks on the Bark River, fish from the shoreline, walk the pathways along the river, and picnic.

Property Management: St. Johns Park will be operated and maintained by the City of Delafield, consistent with their management policy.

Timetable: The City is ready to complete final project engineering and initiate construction immediately upon receipt of the grant contract (spring 2017). The City anticipates that the project will be fully open to the public by summer 2018.

Partnerships:

- City of Delafield: Design, engineering, construction, operation, and maintenance of the project.
- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources: Grant assistance for final engineering and construction.
- Waukesha County: Bark River navigation improvements. The County reconstructed the Genesee Street / CTH C bridge adjacent to St. Johns Park in 2016. The reconstructed bridge removed a box culvert that restricted navigation on the Bark River and replaced it with a clear span bridge that enables canoe/kayak navigation.

II. PROJECT FINANCES:

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| City Funds | \$ 317,459.00 (50%) |
| DNR Stewardship Grant | <u>\$ 317,458.00 (50%)</u> |
| Total Project Cost | \$ 634,917.00 |

The City's matching funds for design and construction of the project have been approved in the City's Capital Improvement Budget.

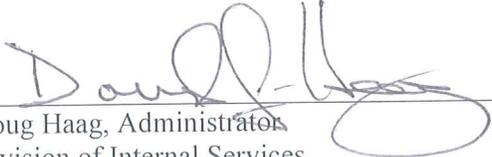
III. RECOMMENDED:



Terry H. Bay, Director
Bureau of Facilities and Lands

4/14/17

Date



Doug Haag, Administrator
Division of Internal Services

4/17/17

Date

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

- A: Project location map
- B: Site development plan



Proposed Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Award
St. John's Park: City of Delafield, Waukesha County

Attachment A
Project Location
Map



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Proposed Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Award
 St. John's Park: City of Delafield, Waukesha County

Attachment B
 Site Development
 Plan

