

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
MARCH 3, 2026, AGENDA**

<p>Subject: BUILD Grant Application Approval by Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism for downtown urban corridor Trail infrastructure</p> <p>Submitted By: Parks & Recreation Department</p>	<p>Action Required:</p> <p>Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Approved By:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Delphone Hubbard City Manager</p>
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SYNOPSIS	<p>A resolution to authorize the City Manager to approve the City’s United States Department of Transportation BUILD Grant application by Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism for the development of downtown urban corridor Trail infrastructure. Project area would consist largely of Riverfront Park, I-30 Crossing Park, and adjacent or connected areas. The scope of the project would develop a trail network connecting areas of importance in downtown without conflicting with any future park and downtown urban development plans.</p>
FISCAL IMPACT	<p>The city will provide a funding match not to exceed \$3,157,102.45 million dollars. This grant requires a minimum 20% match, those assisting with the match will include the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism and funds are available from the 2022 Voter Approved Bond Authorization funded by the millage – parks portion</p>
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Adopt the Resolution.</p>
BACKGROUND	<p>Using the recently completed Downtown Little Rock Master Plan, the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism Maumelle Pinnacles Master Vision Plan and the current work by Sasaki on the I30 Crossing Park Masterplan discussions aligned on developing partnerships and applying collectively for a Raise Grant to fund trail infrastructure potentially connecting a multitude of projects in the downtown urban core of Little Rock.</p>