

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
AUGUST 18, 2026 AGENDA**

Subject: 2026 Outdoor Recreation Grants Program Application for 30 Crossing Park Project Area Expenditure Reimbursement.	Action Required: Ordinance √ Resolution	Approved By: Delphone Hubbard City Manager
Submitted By: Parks & Recreation Department		

SYNOPSIS	A resolution to implement plans for City involvement in the I-30 Crossing project; to authorize the City Manager to execute any necessary application and award documents, to apply for and potentially accept a One Million Dollar grant award from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism 2026 Outdoor Recreation Grants Program, a reimbursable 50/50 grant funding program which would require the City to front the Two Million Dollar project budget and be reimbursed half of the eligible project expenses for future development of the I-30 Crossing Park area.
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FISCAL IMPACT	The City's match funds for this Two Million Dollar Project drawn from 2022 Voter Approved Bond millage are allocated in Parks & Recreation CI Bonds Account No. 332459-B45D004-2022A.
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RECOMMENDATION	Adopt the Resolution.
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BACKGROUND	In order for the City to realize the full development of the I-30 Crossing Park Masterplan as initially designed by Sasaki Associates and pending completion of the final Masterplan, additional funding is being sought from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism's 2026 Outdoor Recreation Grants Program to reimburse the City for qualified expenditures such as climbing wall construction, River Trail connectivity to improve public access to the Riverfront area and its amenities, allowing for the transformation of I-30 Crossing Park area into a vibrant, accessible outdoor recreation destination for residents and
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BACKGROUND | visitors. The City’s grant application deadline is August 28,
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