### BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

AUTHORIZING METRO TO APPLY FOR A LOCAL	)	RESOLUTION NO. 16-4688
GOVERNMENT GRANT FROM THE OREGON	)	
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARMENT AND	)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer,
DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE PARKS AND	)	Martha Bennett, in concurrence with
NATURE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE APPLICATION	)	Council President Tom Hughes

WHEREAS, the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department is accepting applications for the Local Government Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, Metro Parks and Nature desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing needed park and facilities improvements at Killin Wetlands; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council adopted and approved the Killin Wetlands Access Master Plan on December 10, 2015 through Resolution 15-4651, "For the Purpose of Council Approving the Killin Wetlands Access Master Plan"; and

WHEREAS, grant funds would be used to implement the Access Master Plan which includes the following facilities: an access drive, signage, a parking lot with bus parking, overlook and gathering space, site furnishings, a trail system including a wildlife viewing blind; and

WHEREAS, Oregon State Parks requires the applicant to provide Council resolution approving the application; and

WHEREAS, Metro Parks and Nature ensures that funds are available for the long term operations and maintenance at Killin Wetlands beginning in FY 2017-18; and

WHEREAS, Metro Parks and Nature hereby certifies that matching funds up to \$375,000 for this application are readily available at this time; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council authorizes Metro Parks and Nature to apply for a local government grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for implementation of the recreation facility improvements at Killin Wetlands and delegates authority to the department director to sign the application.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 17 th day of March, 2016.

Fom Hughes, Council President

Approved as to form:

Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

### **STAFF REPORT**

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 16 - 4688 AUTHORIZING METRO TO APPLY FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT FROM THE OREGON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE PARKS AND NATURE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE APPLICATION

Date: March 17, 2016 Prepared by: Alex Perove, 503-797-1583

# **REQUEST**

Consider authorizing Metro Parks and Nature to apply for a local government grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for implementation of the recreation facility improvements at Killin Wetlands and delegate authority to the department director to sign the application.

# **BACKGROUND**

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Local Government Grant Program was created by initiative petition filed on March 11, 1998, adopted by the citizens of Oregon on November 3, 1998 and approved by the 1999 Legislature. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission adopted administrative rules for the distribution of state lottery funds to eligible local governments and the process for establishing the priority order in which projects are funded. The Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) and program budget are administered by the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD).

In January 2008 the rules were amended and approved by the Oregon Parks Commission (OAR 736-006-0100-OAR 736-006-0150). The Oregon Lottery Funds for Natural Resources Amendment was adopted on November 2, 2010, which continued lottery funding for the Local Government Grant Program. A resolution is required authorizing an application for grant funds as a part of the program process.

The funds are to be awarded for outdoor park and recreation areas and facilities, acquisition of property for park purposes, trails, bicycle recreation opportunities and non-motorized water-based recreation.

The Killin Wetlands Access Master Plan was approved and adopted by Metro Council on December 10, 2015 through Resolution 15-4651, "For the Purpose of Council Approving the Killin Wetlands Access Master Plan." The goals of the master plan are to provide new facilities to support and enhance nature-based recreation and education opportunities consistent with resource protection goals of the natural area. Proposed improvements include the following facilities: an access drive, signage, a parking lot with bus parking, overlook and gathering space, site furnishings, and a trail system including a wildlife viewing blind.

Metro Parks and Nature would apply for funds to assist with implementation of facility improvements for Killin Wetlands Nature Park.

# RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 16-4688.