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Park River Parks and Recreation
PO Box 182
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March 25, 2015

North Dakota Industrial Commission
Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board
State Capitol, 14th Floor
600 E Boulevard Ave. Dept 405
Bismarck ND 58505-0840

RE: Park River Parks and Recreation Outdoor Heritage Fund Application

Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Board Members:

The Park River Parks and Recreation is pleased to submit the enclosed application to the Outdoor Heritage Fund (OHF). We are requesting \$1,270,975 for the creation of a community park that includes a pond, arboretum, baseball fields, playground and walking paths.

The project has great support from the City of Park River and the community members as you will see from the letters of support.

The overall goal of this project is to improve the quality of life with the use of outdoor activities to enhance recreation for all ages. Your continued support will expedite the implementation of this project to improve lives and strengthen the use of outdoor recreation in our area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kyle Halvorson", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kyle Halvorson, President
Park River Parks and Recreation

Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application



The purpose of the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund is to provide funding to state agencies, tribal governments, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations to:

Directive A. Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen;

Directive B. Improve, maintain, and restore water quality, soil conditions, plant diversity, animal systems and to support other practices of stewardship to enhance farming and ranching;

Directive C. Develop, enhance, conserve, and restore wildlife and fish habitat on private and public lands; and

Directive D. Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.

Exemptions

Outdoor Heritage Fund grants may not be used to finance the following:

- A. Litigation;
- B. Lobbying activities;
- C. Any activity that would interfere, disrupt, or prevent activities associated with surface coal mining operations; sand, gravel, or scoria extraction activities; oil and gas operations; or other energy facility or infrastructure development;
- D. The acquisition of land or to encumber any land for a term longer than twenty years; or
- E. Projects outside this state or projects that are beyond the scope of defined activities that fulfill the purposes of Chapter 54-17.8 of the North Dakota Century Code

NO CONSIDERATION:

In addition to those specific items in law that are ineligible for funding, in the absence of exceptional circumstances, the following projects will NOT receive consideration for funding:

- Projects that are already completed;
- Projects that are on-going (Phased projects would be considered);
- Staffing;
- Feasibility studies;
- Annual maintenance;
- Paving projects for roads and parking lots;
- Swimming pools;
- Non-permanent equipment (such as tractors, snowmobiles);
- Research;
- Projects where the applicant is not directly involved in the project.

Application Deadline

Applications for the second grant round cycle are due on **April 1, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. CT.** All information, including attachments, must be submitted by that date. See instructions below for submission information.

Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application

Name of Organization * Park River Parks and Recreation
Federal Tax ID# * 45-6002142
Contact Person/Title * Kyle Halvorson
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City * Park River
State * ND
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Fax # (if available) None

List names of co-applicants if this is a joint proposal N/A

MAJOR Directive:

Directive D. Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.

Additional Directive:

Directive B. Improve, maintain, and restore water quality, soil conditions, plant diversity, animal systems and to support other practices of stewardship to enhance farming and ranching;

Type of organization: (select the category that describes your organization)*

Political Subdivision

**Project Name* Park River Parks and Recreation – Continuation of Phase I
Community Park Development**

Abstract/Executive Summary: An Executive Summary of the project stating its objectives, expected results, duration, total project costs and participants.* (no more than 500 words)

Objective and Expected Results:

The Park River Parks and Recreation in partnership with the City of Park River and the citizens of Park River continue to develop our parks to enhance their outdoor use for current and the future residents. The Parks and Recreation Board of Directors has completed a feasibility study and determined that there is a need for a multi-use park that includes camping, baseball diamonds, a playground, swimming pool and a community/event center.

The City of Park River has formally approved the use of 40 acres for this project. The land is bare land that will be converted into an established parks and recreation area. This project will encourage families to enjoy the outdoors by building a playground for children and walking paths for all ages. The project will also bring families and neighbors together to enjoy one of America's favorite pastime sports - baseball.

The planting of trees is a critical component in developing this park area. The trees will offer an aesthetically appealing look to the park playground, walking paths and baseball diamonds. The use of trees native to North Dakota will add an additional appeal to people coming to enjoy the park.

The objectives of the Community Park are to:

1. Provide a new park for the citizens of Park River and surrounding communities to enjoy the outdoor environment.
2. Offer an outdoor recreational opportunity for the citizens of Park River and surrounding communities that allows for health and fitness.
3. Enhance the landscape of this 40 acre park with an arboretum that showcases native plants and trees.

The expected results of this project include the development of an aesthetically pleasing Community Park that features trees and shrubs that are native to North Dakota. In addition, the project will provide the citizens of Park River and the surrounding communities the opportunity to enjoy a safe and modern playground, walking trails, baseball games and provide education on native plants and trees. The project will enhance overall health and fitness for people of all ages.

Project Duration:* One year

Amount of Grant request \$ * \$1,253,194

Total Project Costs \$* \$2,076,569

(Note that in-kind and indirect costs can be used for matching funds)

A minimum of 25% Match Funding is strongly encouraged. Amount of Matching Funds \$* \$823,375

Please indicate if the matching funds will be in-kind, indirect or cash.

Source(s) of Matching Funds*

Please provide verification that these matching funds are available for your project.

Cash: \$703,375 – Parks and Recreation cash match and fundraising efforts

Cash: \$10,000 – Purchase of draitiling supplies

In-Kind: \$10,000 - Draitiling labor and equipment use donation

In-direct: \$100,000 - City of Park River donation of land

Certifications *

I certify that this application has been made with the support of the governing body and chief executive of my organization.

I certify that if awarded grant funding none of the funding will be used for any of the exemptions noted on Page 1 of this application.

Narrative

Organization Information:

The Park River Parks and Recreation is an organization with five board members. Our mission is to provide fun and safe recreational programs for all individuals of all ages. We aim to offer as many activities to the community's children and young adults as is feasible. We currently have active programs in baseball, swimming, football and basketball; sponsor an annual fishing derby, and provide open access to our parks and other recreational facilities.

Paid positions include a Program Director, groundskeepers and seasonal sports program personnel such as coaches and lifeguards. We are also fortunate to have numerous volunteers who assist with coaching, maintenance and repairs. Several booster groups and community organizations contribute not only financially but many times offer in-kind services for exclusive use of a park or other facility for a particular event.

Since the last OHF award, an Advisory Committee has been formed to oversee the project. The committee is comprised of citizens representing various areas of the city. These include the City Mayor, City Coordinator, Park Board members, community members, the public school system, banking, health care, American Legion and booster members from baseball, pool, skating, and hockey. This committee meets twice monthly to ensure the project continues to move forward. Development of the approved 20-unit campground will begin this spring.

Purpose of Grant – Describe the proposed project identifying how the project will meet the specific directive(s) of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Program *

Identify project goals, strategies and benefits and your timetable for implementation. Include information about the need for the project and whether there is urgency for funding. Please indicate if this is a new project or if it is replacing funding that is no longer available to your organization. Identify any innovative features or processes of your project.

Goal: To create a destination park for the citizens of Park River and surrounding communities. To enhance the outdoor activities by the establishment of a beautiful community park with a variety of native trees, playground, walking path and baseball fields.

The Community Park is a perfect fit for the type of projects that the Governor and the State foresees supporting through the creation of the ND Outdoor Heritage Fund. The major directive that this project aligns with is ***Directive D: Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.*** This project, the Community Park, is a new recreation area that will be created adjacent to the campsite development. It will be a park for all citizens to enjoy the outdoor environment and the recreational opportunities that will be available.

The Community Park also aligns with ***Directive B: Improve, maintain and restore water quality, soil conditions, plant diversity, animal systems and to support other practices of stewardship to enhance farming and ranching.*** This will be accomplished by planting a wide variety of North Dakota grown trees, shrubs and grass. This will provide natural beauty in the park as well as natural borders around the perimeter of the park to maintain current water and soil conditions.

Parks and Recreation is partnering with the Walsh County Three Rivers Soil Conservation District to ensure that native trees and grasses are used in the park.

Walking Path:

It is our goal that by contributing to a walking path with conservation in mind, we are able to build a trail throughout the park while conserving natural areas for recreation. The walking path will connect the campground to the playground, arboretum and ball fields. This project would also increase the attractiveness of the area for outdoor use.

Playground:

It is our goal to provide a safe and fun playground for children of all ages. It is important to have activities for all ages in the park, a playground provides this needed element for children of all ages. This project would promote physical activity for youth and provide a time for families to be together in the outdoors.

Arboretum:

It is our goal to provide a park that offers forestry, shrubs, and grasses that are native to North Dakota. The native trees that have been chosen for the park offer a variety that will give an appealing look to the park. We have partnered with Walsh County Three Rivers Soil Conservation District and have identified a variety of viable trees for the project. The trees and all landscaping will be native species to North Dakota. We have identified 26 different varieties of trees that will create an arboretum of trees in the park.

We have also consulted with North Dakota Forest Service on the selection of trees. It was noted that some trees may be unavailable or hard to find. They provided us with a list of alternate suggestions. We are also applying to the North Dakota Forest Service for a America the Beautiful Tree Planting Grant. This \$10,000 grant award will be used to cover the cost of installation of these trees in the spring of 2016.

The trees identified include:

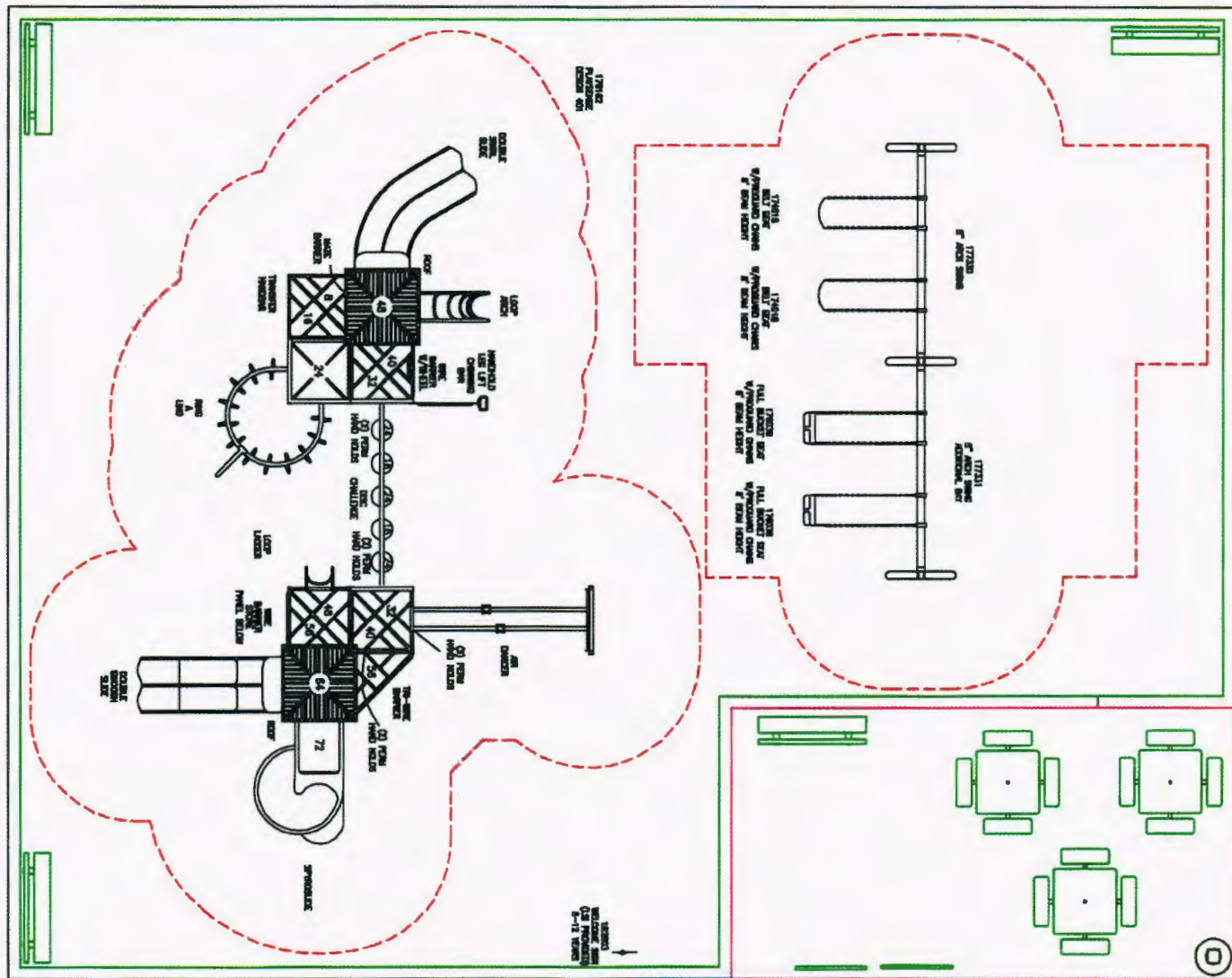
- Royal Splendor Norway Spruce
- St. Croix Elm
- Prairie Statesman Swiss Stone Pine
- Prairie Gem Flowering Pear
- Prairie Torch Buckeye
- Heritage Oak
- Niobe Weeping Willow
- Mountain Frost Ornamental Pear
- Ivory Pillar Lilac Tree

- Unity Sugar Maple
- Silky White Willow
- Male Plains Cottonwood
- Nobility White Ash
- Goldspur Amur Cherry
- Royal Crown Amur Maple
- Eye Stopper Amur Cork Tree
- Shooting star Northern Pin Oak
- Admiration Hybrid Oak
- Red Spruce
- Dakota Pinnacle Birch
- Swedish Aspen
- Balsam Fir
- Delta Hackberry
- Ponderosa Pine
- Black Spruce
- Various Evergreen Species



Proposed Tree Layout for Community Park





71/132
 PLUMBING
 FROM 60

71/132
 NOT TO SCALE
 1/4" = 1'-0"

71/132
 NOT TO SCALE
 1/4" = 1'-0"

RECORDS
 4'-11" HIGH

Pond:

Currently we are working to establish a storm water pond on the property. The pond would help manage runoff and provide a water area for small habitat. Native grasses would be planted around the pond to help provide a natural feel to the area that will be attractive for fowl.

Baseball Fields:

To meet our mission and provide outdoor recreational opportunities for all ages of all incomes the baseball fields become an integral part of our community park. Not all kids have the means or opportunity to do outdoor activities such as hunting or fishing. Providing an outdoor recreational activity like baseball allows us an opportunity to reach all kids and introduce them to the outdoors and take a break from their electronic games. They can learn to enjoy and develop an appreciation for the outdoors. Once an appreciation for the outdoors is realized we see a better opportunity for these kids to participate in the many hunting and fishing opportunities the great state of North Dakota provides. Our baseball leagues have seen an increase every year for the last 5 years, because of this we are seeing an increase in the number of kids and families who use the great outdoors.

Currently there are two youth baseball fields and one Legion diamond in Park River. These fields are in need of major repair and are located in different areas throughout the city. The fields are not practical for tournament play. The current Legion diamond is in need of repairs, it has no lighting for play after dark and the grandstands are not safe for use. Creating a park that has baseball fields in one place will allow Park River Parks and Recreation to host multiple tournaments throughout the year and will be great family and fan atmosphere. It is our goal to host 8U, 12U, 16U, Legion, Girls Softball and Babe Ruth State Tournament after construction of the ball diamonds. These weekends are full weekends and would increase the use of the campgrounds. The tournaments will have a favorable economic impact in the city.

Management of Project – Provide a description of how you will manage and oversee the project to ensure it is carried out on schedule and in a manner that best ensures its objectives will be met.*

Include a brief background and work experience for those managing the project.

The Park River Parks and Recreation Board of Directors oversees all existing recreational programs, services and facilities under the direction of Kyle Halvorson, President; Mavis Nelson, Secretary/Treasurer; and Corri Bell, Program Director. In addition to the Park River Parks and Recreation Board of Directors and staff, there are volunteer Baseball Boosters who donate time to the maintenance of the ball diamonds.

The Advisory Committee offers support to the Parks and Recreation Board to ensure the project continues to move forward.

Evaluation – Describe your plan to document progress and results. *

How will you tell if the project is successful? Please be specific on the methods you will utilize to measure success. Note that regular reporting, final evaluation and expenditure reports will be required for every grant awarded.

Methods used to measure the success of the Community Park are based on three key focus areas:

Goal 1. Provide an outdoor park that is used by all ages.

Measure: This will be achieved when the project is complete and the park sees utilization of its amenities.

Goal 2. Increase recreational opportunities.

Measure: Daily use of the walking trail, an increased number of baseball games and tournaments, family picnics and people of all ages enjoying the playground on a daily basis.

Goal 3. Conserve and enhance the natural outdoors.

Measure: This will be monitored daily to ensure that the plant life is well cared for and the grounds are being watered and tended appropriately.

Financial Information

ATTACHMENT: Project Budget – Using the standard project budget format that is available on the website at <http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm> , please include a detailed total project budget that specifically outlines all the funds you are requesting. Note that a minimum of 25% match funding is strongly encouraged.*

The project budget should identify all matching funds, funding sources and indicate whether the matching funds are in the form of cash or in-kind services. As noted on the standard project budget format, certain values have been identified for in-kind services. Please utilize these values in identifying your matching funds. **NOTE: No indirect costs will be funded.**

I certify that a project budget will be sent to the Commission*

*attached with grant application

Sustainability – Indicate how the project will be funded or sustained in future years. *
Include information on the sustainability of this project after all the funding from the Outdoor Heritage Fund has been expended and whether the sustainability will be in the form of ongoing management or additional funding from a different source.

Sustainability of the Community Park has been addressed. The Parks and Recreation Board of Directors has committed to any future finances required to sustain the park. Maintenance of the park will be the responsibility of the park operations staff.

Partial Funding – Indicate how the project will be affected if less funding is available than that requested. *

The Community Outdoor Park is being built as funding is received. We were fortunate to receive funding for a 20-unit campground and the community park will enhance that project. The campground is on schedule to be bid in the spring of 2015 and constructed in the summer of 2015.

The projects described above would be a huge enhancement to our efforts to complete the community park and enhance the outdoor recreational opportunities in our area. If partial funding is received the project would be scaled back and developed as funding becomes available. We feel all portions: Arboretum, Pond, Baseball Diamonds, Playground and the Walking Paths are all equally important in making this a complete project to enhance the outdoor recreational opportunities in our area.

If partial funding is received the project would be scaled back and developed as funding becomes available with the most important needs prioritized.

Partnership Recognition - If you are a successful recipient of Outdoor Heritage Fund dollars, how would you recognize the Outdoor Heritage Fund partnership? *

Progress of the funding will be documented locally in our county newspapers and using social media. The Park River Parks and Recreation has a website and a Facebook page that is managed by the Program Director. In addition, the City of Park River will recognize the Outdoor Heritage Fund partnership on its website and Facebook page. Signage or plaques are also planned to recognize donations and funding received for the community park.

| Project Expense | OHF Request | Appliant's Match Share (Cash) | Appliant's Match Share (In-Kind) | Appliant's Match Share (Indirect) | Other Project Sponsor's Share | Total Each Project Expense |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Playground | | | | | | |
| Equipment | \$ 43,322.00 | | | | | \$ 43,322.00 |
| Draintiling | \$ - | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 5,000.00 | | | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Landscaping | \$ 15,000.00 | | | | | \$ 15,000.00 |
| Labor/Installation | \$ 12,997.00 | | | | | \$ 12,997.00 |
| Land | | | | \$ 15,000.00 | | \$ 15,000.00 |
| | | | | | | \$ 96,319.00 |

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| Ball Diamonds / Pond | | | | | | |
| Common Excavation | \$ 250,000.00 | | | | | \$ 250,000.00 |
| 6" Subgrade Preparation | \$ 75,000.00 | | | | | \$ 75,000.00 |
| Topsoil Remove and Replace | \$ 45,000.00 | | | | | \$ 45,000.00 |
| 6' Fencing | \$ 32,625.00 | \$ 32,625.00 | | | | \$ 65,250.00 |
| 8' Fencing | \$ 32,000.00 | \$ 32,000.00 | | | | \$ 64,000.00 |
| 6' Double Leaf Gate | \$ 4,000.00 | \$ 4,000.00 | | | | \$ 8,000.00 |
| 4' Swing Gate | \$ 3,750.00 | \$ 3,750.00 | | | | \$ 7,500.00 |
| Foul Pole | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 5,000.00 | | | | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Agri-Lime | \$ 215,000.00 | | | | | \$ 215,000.00 |
| Backstop | \$ 28,000.00 | \$ 28,000.00 | | | | \$ 56,000.00 |
| Dugouts | \$ 38,000.00 | \$ 38,000.00 | | | | \$ 76,000.00 |
| Seeding | \$ 15,000.00 | | | | | \$ 15,000.00 |
| Concrete | \$ 60,000.00 | | | | | \$ 60,000.00 |
| Draintiling | | \$ 5,000.00 | \$ 5,000.00 | | | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Lighting | \$ 250,000.00 | \$ 250,000.00 | | | | \$ 500,000.00 |
| Land | | | | \$ 85,000.00 | | \$ 85,000.00 |
| Concession Stand/Restroom | | \$ 225,000.00 | | | | \$ 225,000.00 |
| Water/Sewer Infrastructure | | \$ 75,000.00 | | | | \$ 75,000.00 |
| | | | | | | \$ 1,841,750.00 |

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| Arboretum | | | | | | |
| Trees | \$ 40,000.00 | | | | | \$ 40,000.00 |
| Labor | \$ 15,000.00 | \$ 10,000.00 | | | | \$ 25,000.00 |
| | | | | | | \$ 65,000.00 |

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|--------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--------------|
| Walking Path | | | | | | |
| Topsoil Remove & Replace | \$ 7,500.00 | | | | | \$ 7,500.00 |
| Common Excavation | \$ 7,500.00 | | | | | \$ 7,500.00 |
| Subgrade Preparation | \$ 20,000.00 | | | | | \$ 20,000.00 |
| Aggregate | \$ 36,000.00 | | | | | \$ 36,000.00 |
| Seeding | \$ 2,500.00 | | | | | \$ 2,500.00 |
| | | | | | | \$ 73,500.00 |

TOTAL \$ 1,253,194.00 \$ 713,375.00 \$ 10,000.00 \$ 100,000.00 \$ - \$ 2,076,569.00

Fine, Karlene K.

From: Jolene Halldorson <prcitycoor@polarcomm.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 11, 2015 6:49 PM
To: -Info-IC Outdoor Heritage
Cc: 'Kyle Halvorson'
Subject: RE: Park River Parks and Recreation - OHF Application
Attachments: budget.xlsx

Hi Karlene,
Here is the info you requested.

I have attached the revised budget with the correct amount for ball diamonds/pond section and revised the playground equipment.

The America the Beautiful Tree Planting grant is due April 30th, we will know before the OHF meeting if we are awarded. We have been working closely with the ND Forest Service with the project and they recommended that we apply for the grant, so I'm hoping it's a go, but you never know. If not, Parks and Recreation will cover the cost.

The estimate for the trees was from a local nursery, but we will be working with Walsh County Three Rivers Soil Conservation District to obtain trees that are available through them and use the nursery if Soil Conservation cannot obtain the tree that is desired for the arboretum.

The pricing for the playground is as follows (it was sent in an email from Dakota Fence) :

Playsense Structure #401 Complete

Double Bay Arch Swing Set w/2 Belt Seats and 2 Full Bucket Toddler Seats

\$34,575.00 Materials Delivered.

The 3 Tables, 4 Benches and 2 Bike Loops would be \$5,747.00 Materials Delivered.

The Trash Receptacle is about \$750.00 each with liner and lid. X4

Installation for everything would be about 30% of the materials cost, so just add everything up and add 30% for installation.

Budget was amended to match this quote.

The other items on the budget are estimates from the engineer.

Thanks Karlene, let me know if there is anything else you need.

Jolene

From: -Info-IC Outdoor Heritage [<mailto:outdoorheritage@nd.gov>]
Sent: Saturday, April 11, 2015 9:44 AM
To: Jolene Halldorson
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Importance: High



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RE: Support of the Park River Parks and Recreation Outdoor Heritage Fund (OHF)
Application

Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Committee Members:

Polar Communications fully supports the Park River Parks and Recreation in their application to the OHF. Outdoor recreation plays a significant role in the quality of life for the citizens of Park River. The recreation that this funding will provide improves the health and well-being of our citizens and area youth; it also promotes conservation of land and contributes to the local economy. The application meets Directive D of the OHF Program which states "conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas". This park will provide enjoyment for all ages, for many generations in Park River.

Projects such as this multi-phase development plan requires a multitude of funding partners to complement the local fund raising efforts. We request the OHF Advisory Committee to strongly consider this application in its entirety.

Sincerely,

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David L. Dunning
General Manager/CEO

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Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Committee Members:

The Park River Baseball Booster fully supports the Park River Parks and Recreation in their application to the OHF. Outdoor recreation plays a significant role in the quality of life for the citizens of Park River. Baseball has been a favorite past time for generations and we are seeing increase in participation. Since 2009 baseball has experienced an increase of 60 to 169 baseball participants. The recreation that this funding will provide improves the health and well-being of our citizens and area youth, it also promotes conservation of land and contributes to the local economy.

Projects such as this multi-phase development plan requires a multitude of funding partners to complement the local fund raising efforts. The Park River Baseball Boosters will assist to raise the funds needed see this project to completion. We request the OHF Advisory Committee to strongly consider this application in its entirety.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Loren Zavalney". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Loren Zavalney
President Park River Baseball Boosters



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RE: Collaboration with Park River Parks and Recreation
Outdoor Heritage Fund Application

Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Committee Members:

The Walsh County Three Rivers Soil Conservation District is in support of the Park River Parks and Recreation, Outdoor Heritage Fund application.

We have provided consultation on tree selection, planting and pricing. We look forward to working with this program to see their vision of a park become a reality. This project will use trees that are native to North Dakota to create a natural park setting that will be enjoyed by all ages for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Joleen Swartz
District Manager

March 27, 2015

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Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Committee Members:

The Park River American Legion supports the Park River Parks and Recreation in their application to the OHF. Outdoor recreation plays a significant role in the quality of life for the citizens of Park River. The recreation that this funding will provide improves the health and well-being of our citizens, promotes conservation of land and contributes to the local economy.

Projects such as this multi-phase development plan requires a multitude of funding partners to complement the local fund raising efforts. The Park River American Legion will assist to raise the funds needed see this project to completion. We request the OHF Advisory Committee to strongly consider this application in its entirety.

Sincerely,

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Vern Houser, House Board President
Park River Paul Farup Post #147

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Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Board Members:

The Walsh County Job Development Authority strongly supports Park River Parks and Recreation (PRPR) in its application to the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund. If awarded, these grant funds would facilitate the development of a community park, which would provide recreational opportunities for people of all ages. This development has been identified as a high community priority during a recent study completed by Park River Parks and Recreation. It is anticipated that the park would be used not only by residents of Park River, but also by residents from numerous surrounding communities.

This proposed project fits ideally with Directive D of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Application to "conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas." The park will be developed on a tract of land that was donated by the City of Park River. The recreation area will be converted into a public space with trees and natural grasses to provide exceptional outdoor recreation.

Local fund raising efforts are currently underway and citizens have been very generous, but smaller communities like Park River are simply unable to fully fund projects such as this recreational complex on their own. I respectfully request that the Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board consider Park River Parks and Recreation's application to help make this project a reality.

Sincerely,



Julie Campbell
Executive Director



March 25, 2015

MAYOR

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Sincerely,

Dan Stenvold, Mayor

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Dear Chairman Moser and Advisory Board Members:

First United Bank strongly supports Park River Parks and Recreation (PRPR) in its application to the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund. If awarded, these grant funds would facilitate the development of a community park, which would provide recreational opportunities for people of all ages. This development has been identified as a high community priority during a recent study completed by Park River Parks and Recreation.

It is anticipated that the park would be used not only by residents of Park River, but also by residents from numerous surrounding communities.

This proposed project fits ideally with Directive D of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Application to "conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas." The park will be developed on a tract of land that was donated by the City of Park River. The recreation area will be converted into a public space with trees and natural grasses to provide exceptional outdoor recreation.

Local fund raising efforts are currently underway and citizens have been very generous, but smaller communities like Park River are simply unable to fully fund projects such as this recreational complex on their own. First United Bank respectfully request that the Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board consider Park River Parks and Recreation's application to help make this project a reality.

Sincerely,



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