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Outdoor Heritage Fund Status and Final Report Form/Guidelines

This report is used to show progress of grant projects funded through the Outdoor Heritage Fund. Status Reports and the Final Report must be submitted as required in Contract.

Contract Number 005-083	Report Date 5/4/2018	Period Covered by Report 7/2/2017 to 12/31/2017
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Project Name
The Fargo Project: World Garden Commons

Project Sponsor Name
City of Fargo

Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) Elshaug, Maegin	Responsible Official's Title Planning Coordinator
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Project Sponsor Address
200 3rd Street North

City Fargo	State ND	Zip Code 58102	Telephone Number (701) 476-4120
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Financial Update

Please provide the following information regarding the funding for your project based on the contract award:

*The Fargo Project is a multi-phased, multi-year, multi-funded project. For clarity of reporting, the Financial Update is regarding funding based on work under contract award only.

**Reporting is based on acceptance of amendments to November 2015 and March 2016 reports (submitted August 31, 2016) and all previously submitted reports.

Funds Spent this Reporting Period

(As appropriate, please provide copies of receipts for purchases)

Match Funding \$ 61,520.14

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding **Requested for Reimbursement** \$ 92,280.20

Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$ 153,800.34

Total Funds Spent to Date

Match Funding \$ 102,210.70

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$ 196,104.23 (includes previously received \$35,000)

Total Funding Expended to Date \$ 298,314.93

Balance of Grant Funds

Match Funding \$ 347,789.30

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$ 153,895.77

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$ 501,685.07 (total phase cost is \$800,000)

Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension If yes, please explain
 Yes No

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:
(This information will be posted on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Industrial Commission website)

July 2 through December 31:

In July and August, we held a Summer Series event, in which almost every Sunday from 1-4, a group held a community event on the site. Events were open to all and included a meal. The eight events were well attended. This work was outside the Outdoor Heritage Funds.

In August 2017, we entered into a contract with a general contractor to construct the Overlook, trails, north boardwalk, and natural play area. This is anticipated to be one of the last large projects at the site. Much of the structural work was done in the fall and into early winter when the ground was frozen. The work, including completion of the structures, natural play area, seeding, plantings and site restoration, is anticipated to be done in June 2018.

Site restoration (seeding, plantings, vegetation establishment) continued in the fall. We have found that in the undisturbed areas, the site has many native species, and we continue to take steps to encourage that growth while managing invasive species. The restoration methods on areas of disturbance require more intensive restoration, however, we plan to seed and plant as much as possible to encourage establishment. In the fall, we began introducing planting plugs in irregular "amoeba" shapes to encourage the plants to extend into other areas. We will continue with additional plugs and plantings in Spring 2018.

In September, additional work was done to induce meandering of the stream and address erosion issues. We continue to monitor the induced meandering (restoration) and anticipate further restoration by creating small disturbance areas using rock and willow cuttings. These disturbance allow us to be more less intrusive and more intentional with site restoration.

Next Steps in 2018:

- Completion of Overlook, trails, north boardwalk, and natural play area.
- Continue seeding, plantings and vegetation establishment (much of this work will occur after earthwork)
- Continue monitoring vertical water quality and groundwater quality
- Continue induced stream meandering as required
- Continue programming on site (this work is outside the Outdoor Heritage Funds)



Prairie Blooms – July 2017



Summer Series Event – Band playing in the Listening Garden – July 2017 (outside Outdoor Heritage Funds)



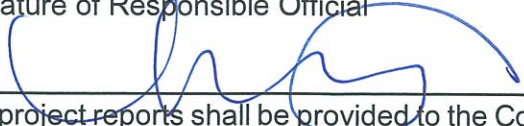
Induced Stream Meandering – September 2017



Construction of Overlook and trails – September 2017

Photos of work completed are welcome (If appropriate, please submit photos of key elements of the project completed or in progress during reporting period) Do not exceed five photos per project report.

Signature of Responsible Official

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, is written over the signature line.

The project reports shall be provided to the Commission in both electronic and hard-copy formats with permission for unrestricted distribution. The electronic versions shall be in a suitable format for posting on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Commission website.