

CITY OF SEGUIN

To: City Council
From: Kate McCloud, Grants Administrator
Date: January 5, 2026
Subject: Resolution to submit application for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Recreational Trails Grant Program

Historical Background

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is currently accepting applications for the Recreational Trails grant program. The purpose of this program is to fund new construction or renovation of recreational trails as part of the Federal Highway Administration's Transportation Alternatives program.

City staff would like to submit an application to this program to build a 12' wide multiuse trail to connect the Walnut Springs Trail to Max Starcke Park, passing along the Seguin Coliseum, volleyball courts, Starke Park Golf Course, and basketball/tennis/pickleball courts. The estimated cost for this project is \$680,000, the grant requires a 20% match. Grant awards are expected to be announced in June of 2026. If the City is awarded this grant, the project would likely begin after an environmental review has been completed and the grant agreement is executed, this should take place no later than September of 2027.

Action Requested

City Council must approve the resolution to authorize the submission of this grant application.

Procurement Methodology & Funding Source

If the grant is awarded, 80% of the funding for design and construction of the trail will be secured through the grant. The Parks Department would use Park Development Fund to provide the City's required matching.

Procurements will be made according to the City of Seguin Purchasing Policy and the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, which is codified in Part 200 of Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the resolution to authorize the submission of the grant application.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution authorizing the submission of the grant application