



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 22-00710

Community Redevelopment Agency 8/15/2022

ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Teniade Broughton, Chairperson

SUBJECT:

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK RESTROOMS AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) approve an allocation, in the amount of \$350,000, for the construction of permanent public restrooms and an educational center at Veteran's Memorial Park, subject to rejection of the City's proposal to the State House Appropriations for \$350,000 in grant funding in support of the project. Further, in the event the grant is not received, that an agreement be brought back before the CRA for approval.

SUMMARY:

Veterans Memorial Park, located at 200 South 9th Avenue in Pensacola, is managed and maintained by the Veteran's Memorial Park Foundation, a non-profit organization. The Foundation has requested an allocation of \$350,000 to support construction of a permanent 1,750 square foot, single-story facility to house public restrooms, an education center and storage for the park. To fund the facilities, the City has submitted a proposal through the State House Appropriations. If the grant is received, then CRA funding will not be used for construction and instead grant funds will be utilized.

Construction of these facilities will directly contribute to the health, wellness and healing that the park provides by accommodating on-site needs of visitors. Veterans and groups use the park daily for remembrance, reflection, reunions, and recreation. Funds will provide this important heritage tourism destination with needed amenities and will maximize park usage.

PRIOR ACTION:

None.

FUNDING:

Budget:	\$ 31,945	CRA Fund - Parks and Public Spaces
	\$ 66,095	2017 Urban Core Bonds - Belmont and DeVilliers Streetscape
	\$ 50,000	2017 Urban Core Bonds - Property Acq. & Redevelopment
	<u>\$ 201,960</u>	CRA Fund - Belmont and DeVilliers Streetscape
	\$ 350,000	

Actual: \$ 350,000

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding is available in the CRA Fund and the 2017 Series Urban Core Bond Fund. Upon approval of this item by the CRA, funding will be transferred from the Belmont and DeVilliers Streetscape project and from Property Acquisition and Redevelopment. An allocation to re-fund the Belmont and DeVilliers Streetscape Improvement project is included in the Fiscal Year 2023 budget proposal.

LEGAL REVIEW ONLY BY CITY ATTORNEY: Yes

8/9/2022

STAFF CONTACT:

David Forte, Deputy City Administrator - Community Development
Sherry Morris, Development Services Director
Victoria D'Angelo, CRA Assistant Manager
Adrian Stills, Parks and Recreation Director
Amy Lovoy, Chief Financial Officer

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Mayor's Letter of Support
- 2) Draft Architectural Plans
- 3) Draft Civil Plans

PRESENTATION: No