

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 442

Approved October 25, 2017

WHEREAS, The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) offers grants for certain projects through the Outdoor Recreation Bond Fund Program; and

WHEREAS, The Governor of the State of Rhode Island has authorized the Director of said department to disburse such funds; and

WHEREAS, River Road along the Seekonk River is a popular citywide resource for riverfront activity but lacks sufficient recreational infrastructure and access to the water; and

WHEREAS, The City of Providence believes it would be beneficial to the City to apply for up to \$100,000 in Small Infrastructure funding from the Outdoor Recreation Program to improve waterfront recreation while providing green infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, The design would call for a publicly accessible small boat ramp to allow residents access to the water to operate a kayak, canoe, row boat, or other small boat, while repairing a section of the riverbank and alleviating erosion from storm water runoff and providing green infrastructure for infiltration and stormwater management; and

WHEREAS, The City is prepared, as part of the application and approval process, to conduct a public hearing on this application prior to execution of any agreement to move the project forward; and

WHEREAS, It is in the interest of the citizens of the City of Providence that an application be made for State funds to undertake these recreation infrastructure improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby authorizes the administration to file an application with DEM's Outdoor Recreation Program for a grant in an amount up to \$100,000 for a publicly accessible small boat ramp to allow residents access to the water to operate a kayak, canoe, row boat, or other small boat, while repairing a section of the riverbank and alleviating erosion from storm water runoff and providing green infrastructure for infiltration and storm water management, and further authorizes the administration (1) to provide any additional information or documents required by that office, to make any assurances required in connection with the program, (2) to execute an agreement with the State of Rhode Island and (3) to otherwise act as the representative of the City of Providence in all matters relating to the application and any award which may be based upon the application.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND PASSED

ACTING PRES.

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I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor
Date: 10/25/17