



MEMORANDUM

To: Finance Committee

From: Rich Olson, City Manager
June Brooks, Planning Director

Date: April 2, 2013

Re: Consideration – Authorization to Submit Grant Application

BACKGROUND:

Keep America Beautiful has partnered with Dr. Pepper Snapple Group to offer all government agencies that own or manage local, regional or state parks an opportunity to receive free recycling bins in order to foster clean communities and public places, to reduce waste and to encourage recycling. There are four styles of containers being offered. All are 34 gallons in size. This is a competitive grant, which will be awarded in June 2013 with expected delivery in August 2013. There is no match from the City required with this grant.

ANALYSIS:

City staff has identified the following parks as sites for these recycling bins: Mariners' Wharf, Waterfront Park, South Park, Charles Creek, Knobbs Creek, Holmes Field, Fun Junktion, River Road, Northeastern Park and Dog Corner. While the City offers recycling containers for residential and commercial uses, there are no designated recycling containers at our parks. It is estimated that we should request 43 recycling bins. The winners will be required to report results of the use at 6 months, one year and at the two year mark. Reports consist of quantity of materials collected, how the bins are being used, list of location, lessons learned and media recognition of the grant award.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that the City Council authorize submission of a grant application to the Dr. Pepper Snapple Public Park Recycling Grant program.