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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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Bill Type and Number: 2022-46

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Members White, Freeman, Salem, Carrico, Pittman and Morgan

Date of Introduction: January 11, 2022

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F, R

Date of Analysis: January 13, 2022

Type of Action: Appropriation, CIP amendment, Ordinance Code waiver and designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: This bill is an appropriation of \$30,000,000 from the Special Committee on Parks and Quality of Life construction account to the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department for parks construction projects. The 2022-2026 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan is amended to provide funding for the projects. This bill provides for a limited waiver of Section 122.605, *Ordinance Code*, as to funds designated for Countywide Community and Senior Center Improvements so that projects in the 12 Community and Senior Centers projects valued between \$100,000 and \$500,000 may proceed without the need for additional City Council approval. District Council Expenditures for Security Cameras Safety Equipment and Electrical Upgrades require compliance with Section 106.315, *Ordinance Code* and must be committed before June 30, 2023, The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will oversee the projects.

Background Information: The Special Committee on Parks and Quality of Life was formed in 2021 to address the current and future needs of parks, community centers, learning centers as well as quality of life matters throughout the city. This committee was charged with making recommendations for the distribution and oversight of \$100M allocated in FY '21-'22 budget. The projects funded through this appropriation were identified by Daryl Joseph, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services, and presented to the committee and approved by a 4-1 vote. The approved park projects are: \$5,000,000 for Northbank Riverwalk Artist Walk Extension \$5,000,000 to James P. Small Museum and Water Park \$5,000,000 to Cecil Field Ballfields Recreational Development \$2,800,000 to Myrtle Avenue Area Court Complex \$2,500,000 to 9A Baymeadows Regional Baseball fields \$1,350,000 to Clanzel T. Brown Park Sports Complex \$1,500,000 to Drew Park

Policy Impact Area: Countywide Parks, Community and Senior Center Improvements

Fiscal Impact: \$30,000,000 from the Special Committee on Parks and Quality of Life construction account

Analyst: Hampsey