

TOWN OF TIMNATH, COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. 31, SERIES 2009

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR A MINI-GRANT FROM
THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO FOR THE TIMNATH
SUMMERFIELDS POCKET PARK**

WHEREAS, the Town of Timnath supports the Great Outdoors Colorado grant application for the Summerfields Pocket Park; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Timnath has requested \$45,000.00 from Great Outdoors Colorado to assist in the cost of constructing the Summerfields Park.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
TIMNATH, COLORADO, THAT:**

SECTION 1. The Town Council of the Town of Timnath strongly supports the application and has appropriated matching funds for a grant with Great Outdoors Colorado.

SECTION 2. The Town Council of the Town of Timnath authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any Grant awarded.

SECTION 3. The project site is owned by the Town of Timnath and will be owned by the Town of Timnath for the next 25 years.

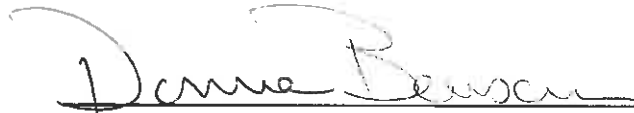
SECTION 4. The Town Council of the Town of Timnath will continue to maintain the Summerfields Park in a high quality condition and will appropriate funds for maintenance in its annual budget.

SECTION 5. The Town of Timnath has the ability to complete this project and has demonstrated this ability in constructing the Town Administrative Building in 2007 and the Administrative Building's landscaping in 2008.

SECTION 6. This resolution to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 25 day of February, 2009.

FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TIMNATH, COLORADO



Donna Benson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Milissa McGuire, Town Clerk



Planning Grant Project Summary Form

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

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| 1. Applicant Name and Address:
<i>Town of Timnath</i>
<i>4800 Goodman Street</i>
<i>Timnath, CO 80547</i> | 2. Partner (if any) Name and Address:
<i>NA</i> |
| Applicant Contact: <i>Linda Martin</i>
Title: <i>Community Development Director</i>
Phone #: <i>970-224-3211</i>
Fax #: <i>970-224-3217</i>
E-mail: <i>lindamartin@timnathcolorado.org</i> | Partner Contact:
Title:
Phone #:
Fax #:
E-mail: |

PROJECT INFORMATION

3. Requested Grant Amount: *\$45,000.00*
4. Project Title: *Timnath Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plans*
5. County: *Larimer*
6. Do you have outstanding grants from Great Outdoors Colorado (from any grant program) that have passed their original or extended completion date? Yes No *X*
If yes, you are required to contact staff prior to completion of this application.

7. Project Description (250 words or less):

The Town of Timnath is interested in the development of a master plan and associated implementation guides to direct the future development of the community. The plan and guides will be utilized by public officials, citizens and developers to make decisions about future growth and development of parks, recreation, open space and trails infrastructure and activities. What is typically included in a Parks, Open Space, Recreation and Trails Master Plan has not been completed in an overall vision for the Town. Additionally, guidelines for actual implementation of the vision, along with financing the construction, operation and maintenance of these activities have yet to be developed.

We hope with the process of development of the plan and guides, we will establish new relationships with local, regional and state representatives in accomplishing our goals in concert with the areas needs.

Last, we hope to identify an appropriate set of goals, supported by our residents, to enable the successful establishment of local funding sources to fund infrastructure, activities and programs.

Authorized Signature: *Donna Benson* Date: *2/18/2009*

Printed Name and Title *Donna Benson, Mayor* Date: *2/18/09*

2. ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

1. **Species of Concern.** Is it likely that plant or wildlife species of concern are present on the proposed project site?
 - There are no federally listed threatened or endangered species on or near the site
2. **Habitat Value.** How important, productive, or pristine is the wildlife habitat in the project area?
 - There is little of value for wildlife habitat in the area, as the surrounding single family development predominates. Adjacent to the area on the east is a working hay farm.
 - There is no critical habitat for any particular species, nor is there an area with high value for nesting, feeding or calving.
3. **Potential Impacts.** In what ways will the project have, or potentially have, an impact on wildlife?
 - As there are no identified sensitive species in the area, no impact on wildlife is anticipated.
 - As there is substantial human impact in the area, there is little intrusion on wildlife habitat.
4. **Mitigation.** How will these impacts be addressed?
 - No mitigation measures are required
5. **Benefit.** How is the project planned to have a positive impact on wildlife?
 - The project will not impact wildlife positively or negatively.

Principal source(s) of information: (e.g. Colorado Division of Wildlife, Colorado Natural Heritage Program, local agency, staff biologist, consultant)

Colorado Division of Wildlife (See attached letter – required at time of platting of the Timnath South Subdivision)

3. SELECTION CRITERIA

I. Characteristics: (25 points)

- A. Briefly describe your community including information regarding demographics, population, economy, etc. Be sure to highlight what makes your community unique.

The Town of Timnath is a small Town located east of Fort Collins, west of Severance and North of Windsor. The current Town population is estimated to be 425 residents. We have little retail or industrial business located in the community currently, with the notable exceptions of Alpine Cabinets and Mills Brothers Landscaping (which provide no sales tax to Timnath, as they are not retail outlets). The new WalMart is anticipated to open April 29, 2009.

The Town began to grow in 2004 with major annexations for single family development. Current entitlements equate to a population of 12,300 persons based upon the State Demographer's estimate of 2.3 persons per household.

What makes Timnath unique is the total lack of ANY parks within the Town Limits.

- B. Describe other recreational amenities within your community, including amenities that are similar and dissimilar to the proposed project.

There are none.

- C. Describe the scope of the proposed project. Describe in detail each individual project component, including the work required to implement each component. Provide information on dimensions, ages served, materials used to build it, etc.

The project will be to design/build the first small park (approx. 1 acre) in the Town to serve the children of the Town. The park will focus on serving pre-school and grade school children and their parents.

At this time, we cannot provide a specific materials scope, as the Town has yet to determine exactly what materials should be used. Part of the project scope will be to provide a design/construction plan.

- D. Describe the means by which the proposed project is accessible to the local community and the region (car, bike path or trail, bus route, on foot, etc.).

The proposed project will be accessible to the community via car and on foot. There are no bus routes in Timnath.

- E. Provide a site plan identifying and detailing the existing site amenities and proposed project elements.

Part of the project scope is to identify and detail the site amenities and project elements. Therefore, a site plan is not available at this time.

II. Need: (30 points)

- A. Describe the unmet recreational needs in your community, i.e. lack of field space, deteriorating conditions at existing facilities, program demands, etc. Explain how the proposed project will specifically meet those needs and significantly improve and impact parks and outdoor recreation facilities and opportunities in the proposed park, in your community and throughout the region. This discussion should also include information on how the project would impact existing programs and potentially create new programs.

The Town of Timnath has no recreation activities or parks located within the Town limits.

- B. Discuss how your community is or is not compensating for the lack of the proposed project. Do people have to visit neighboring communities for recreation and recreational programs?

All residents must visit neighboring communities for recreation and recreational programs.

- C. Estimate the number of users of the proposed project.

Immediately adjacent to the proposed project area are approximately 200 residents, with 2,000 additional residents to move into the area (within 1 mile radius) in the future.

- D. Address the need for GOCO funds. Will the project be completed without assistance from GOCO? How will the scope of the project be affected if GOCO funds go unsecured?

Will applicant and/or partner funding earmarked for this project be lost or spent elsewhere should this project not receive GOCO's assistance for this grant cycle?

It is not currently possible to complete this project without assistance from GOCO. The Town of Timnath did not anticipate the donation from WalMart and does not have funding appropriated in 2009 for this project. With only \$25,000 to be received from WalMart, it is necessary to supplement those funds to provide the design and construction of the park. WalMart has not indicated their funds would be lost or spent elsewhere should this project not receive GOCO assistance in this grant cycle.

III. Public Process and Plan

(15 points)

- A. Discuss the planning process involved in the proposed project. Is the project listed as a priority in a developed master plan? When was the plan completed? Was it funded by GOCO?

The Town of Timnath does not have a developed master plan at this time. We hope to complete one within the next 12 months.

The Town met with the residents of the Town on February 19, 2009 to obtain their input as to their desires for the park amenities.

- B. The pages of the plan that document this proposed project are required to be submitted with the application.

There is no plan that documents this project, other than the results of the public meeting to discuss the park amenities.

- C. If the project is not part of an approved parks and recreation master plan, discuss and document how the need for this project was determined. Is this project part of a community planning and decision-making process? Describe the methodology used to determine the need for the proposed project.

In 2007, the first new residents of Timnath began to move into Town. After one year of initial "settling in," the residents began asking the Town Council when their parks might be built. As a condition of platting, the Town had required the developers to dedicate land to the Town for future Parks development, however, no funding has been available for park design and construction.

In late January 2009, WalMart indicated they would provide the Town \$25,000 to be utilized as the Town desired for a community-related project. The Town Council determined the funds would be best utilized to construct a small park. (Attachment A)

Thus, on February 19, 2009, a public meeting was held. _____ residents attended and their comments and recommendations obtained. (Attachment B)

IV. Matching Funds and Partnerships

(25 points)

The Matching Funds and Partnerships narrative will be scored in conjunction with the Budget Form and In-kind Form. The information presented in these three items must be consistent. **The combined information is worth 25 points.**

- A. If there are outstanding matching funds, when will confirmation of the award be received? What is your plan should outstanding matching funds not be secured?

According to Attachment A, funds will be delivered to the Town no later than April 29, 2009. Should the funds not be delivered by the grant award date, the Town will not accept the grant award.

- B. Please describe how matching funds were acquired. For example, describe fundraising efforts involved in this particular project. Are tax dollars being used to fund this recreation project?

As previously noted, WalMart volunteered the funds to the Town for a community project.

- C. Describe financial hardship, if present. What is the financial outlook of your community? How has hardship limited the community's ability to contribute to the project?

The financial outlook for Timnath looks bright with the future growth and development in the Northern Front Range. The economic outlook is bright with the new energy economy growth tied with the location of CSU and NCU related to Timnath. Up to this time, the Town had little or no money or land to construct a community park facility.

- D. How will operations and maintenance be funded in the future?

The Town will fund operations and maintenance through annual appropriations. Initially, the Public Works department will provide these services. In the future, the Town will be creating a Parks and Recreation Department that will assume these responsibilities.

V. Non-cash Support Letters (5 points)

We have received a letter from the Timnath South Metro District (essentially the subdivision's HOA) within which this property is located indicating support for this project. (Attachment C)