#### RESOLUTION APPROVING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTENNIAL PARK

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 5, 2023





### CENTENNIAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The Centennial Park Improvement Project is included in the Parks and Recreation Department's 5-year Capital Improvement Plan.

Design – 2024

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• Construction – 2025-2026

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# **LWCF GRANT PROGRAM**

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) program was enacted by Congress in 1965 to create parks and open spaces; protect wilderness, wetlands, and refuges; preserve wildlife habitat; and enhance recreational opportunities.

Since the inception of the LWCF program, nearly 1,006 LWCF grants totaling more than \$70 million have been awarded to state and local park and recreation projects in Colorado.

In Colorado, LWCF grant program is administered by the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission.

Centennial Park was a previous recipient of LWCF grant monies in the late 1970s to fund the acquisition of 7.18 acres to expand the park and construct the tennis and basketball courts.



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#### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

- Initial court construction at Centennial Park was partially funded through a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant
- The current grant cycle is prioritizing the replacement of facilities previously funded through the LWCF
- If received, the award would replace two of the existing tennis courts, replace the basketball court, and could convert one of the three tennis courts to two pickleball courts as requested by neighbors (design process has yet to be completed to set the project's final design)
- New fencing would be provided, along with accessible walkways, retaining walls, seating and shade structures





# **APPLICATION DETAILS**

Grant request amount: \$800,000

Total project cost: \$1,750,000

If awarded, the remaining will be funded through the Conservation Trust Fund.

Relevant dates:

- October 3, 2023 application submittal deadline
- Spring 2024 notice of grant award
- Project must be completed within 3 years of award

A Town Council resolution in support of the grant is a requirement of the application.



### **THANK YOU** QUESTIONS?

PROPOSED MOTION: "I MOVE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS INTRODUCED BY TITLE."