

THE CITY OF DAYTONA BEACH

Public Works Department

TO:

James V. Chisholm, City Manager

FROM:

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THROUGH: Frank Van Pelt, Technical Services Projects Director

THROUGH: David Waller, Deputy Public Works Director

DATE:

May 2, 2018

SUBJECT:

Historic Preservation Grant Authorizing Submittal for Jackie Robinson Ballpark

Turf Replacement, City Project Number 2018-011

REQUEST

Public Works is requesting that the City Commission authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application for a Historic Preservation Grant in the amount up to \$500,000.00 and accept the grant if awarded, to install a new artificial turf system at the Jackie Robinson Ballfield and also authorize the City Manager to approve subsequent documents for the furtherance of the grant acceptance and project improvements.

PURPOSE

Minor League Baseball (MiLB) requires teams, pursuant to MiLB Rule 58 to provide a field surface without defects and or trip hazards that could affect the normal play of the game or jeopardize the player safety. The turf replacement will bring the existing field up to MiLB standards and address safety concerns. The artificial turf field is superior to sod in that it allows continuous play and it enables the field to withstand the wear and tear of its use by local teams and community events.

CONSIDERATION

The estimated probable construction cost for the turf replacement is \$861,333.00. The maximum Historic Special Preservation Grant is \$500,000.00. The City is obligated to provide a match of at least \$250,000.00 for the \$500,000.00 grant. As authorized in Resolution 17-402, the City also applied for and has been awarded a Racing and Recreational Facilities District grant in the amount of \$355,000.00.

FUNDING

After grant acceptance, funding will be made available in appropriate project specific accounts as needed for the grant and the City's match.

RECOMMENDATION

The Deputy Public Works Director is recommending that the City Commission authorize the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Florida Division of Historical Resources for a Special Category Grant in the amount up to \$500,000.00 and accept the grant if awarded, to install a new turf system at the Jackie Robinson Ballfield and also authorize the City Manager to approve subsequent documents for the furtherance of the grant acceptance and project improvements.

ANTICIPATED IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

Installation is expected on or before the close of the season and would occur in October, November 2019.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Agenda Summary
- 2) Power Point