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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Brent Walker, Parks and Recreation Manager
Date: November 14, 2011
Subject: **DNR Recreational Trails Grant**

BACKGROUND

In September the City Council accepted a \$100,000 Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Grant to create the first phase of a multi-use trail in Brook Run Park. Earlier this month, staff received our official Notice to Proceed and as part of the Clean, Fix, Shine Up Dunwoody Day hundreds of volunteers assisted in clearing brush and preparing for the implementation for this new trail.

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources is once again accepting applications for their Recreational Trails Grant program. Staff believes completing the Brook Run Park trail from its planned terminus in the back meadow up past the Community Garden, Special Event Field, Theater, Veteran's Memorial, and on to the planned beginning at the front of the park aligns well with the goals for the Trails Grant program.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adopting a Resolution in support for our application to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Grant program.

**STATE OF GEORGIA
CITY OF DUNWOODY**

RESOLUTION 2011-XX-XX

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE APPLICATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City seeks to protect and preserve greenway corridors by developing outdoor recreational trails opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Brook Run Park is traversed by a trail system that was originally created in the 1970s when the site was used by the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the Department of Natural Resources honored the City of Dunwoody with Recreational Trails Grant to create the first phase of a new recreational trail in Brook Run Park; and

WHEREAS, the multi-use recreational trail through Brook Run Park will allow the community to traverse the expanses of the park and provide linkages between recreational resources and community activities; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of volunteers have supported the implementation of the first phase of the trail by clearing brush and removing undergrowth as part of the Clean, Fix, Shine Up Dunwoody Day in November 2011; and

WHEREAS, the second phase of the Brook Run Trail will complete the trail through Brook Run Park from its planned terminus in the back meadow back past the Community Garden, the Special Event Field, the Veterans Memorial, and on to the Children’s Adventure Garden.

WHEREAS, the City looks forward to working with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and their Recreational Trails Grant Program to complete the development of this outdoor recreational opportunity; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dunwoody, that the City of Dunwoody supports the application for the Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Grant Program for the development of a recreational trail in Brook Run Park and hereby authorizes the City Manager and staff to execute all appropriate documents in pursuit thereof.

SO RESOVLED AND EFFECTIVE this 14th day of November, 2011.

Approved:

Ken Wright, Mayor

Attest:

Sharon Lowery, City Clerk

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