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**Legislative Analysis**

**Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee**

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Meeting Agenda**

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Written analyses for the below listed items are attached for your consideration in this Legislative Analysis.

**Item Number(s)**

3(B)
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If you require further analysis of these or any other agenda items, please contact Guillermo Cuadra, Chief Legislative Analyst, at (305) 375-5469.

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Legislative Notes

**Agenda Item: 3(B)**

**File Number: 092304**

**Committee(s) of Reference: Recreation, Culture & Tourism**

**Date of Analysis: September 2, 2009**

**Type of Item: Resolution**

**Summary**

This resolution ratifies the submission of twenty (20) grant applications to the 2009 Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP) Bond Grant Program totaling \$3,849,500.

**Background and Relevant Legislation**

The Safe Neighborhood Parks Citizen's Oversight Committee (SNPCOC) has awarded \$200 million from Bond proceeds, plus an additional \$11.4 million in Bond interest earnings and recaptured funds to more than 40 municipalities, not-for-profit agencies and Miami-Dade County.

On May 14, 2009, the SNPCOC set the following timetable for RFP SNP0809 as follows:

June 15, 2009	RFP Available
June 25, 2009	Pre-proposal Conference
July 20, 2009	Application Deadline to the Clerk of the Board
August 13, 2009	SNPCOC Review Applications
August 20, 2009	Present SNPCOC Recommendations to the Manager
October 2009	Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee
November 2009	Board of County Commissioners

The original timetable for grant application submittals was July 20, 2009, but an amendment to the grant application rules extended the deadline to July 24, 2009 to allow Park and Recreation Department (PRD) to submit its applications.

According to the Office of Capital Improvements, an amendment can be made to the grant application rules via addendum to be approved by SNPCOC.

On June 9, 2009, the County Manager issued a memo informing the Board of County Commissioners that the Office of Capital Improvements will be advertising a Request for Proposals (RFP) SNP0809 on June 12, 2009 which will provide \$6 million (interest earnings) in funding for land acquisitions and capital development of public parks.

According to PRD, over seventy (70) applications were received for the above-mentioned RFP submitted by municipalities, not-for-profits and Miami-Dade County.

Of the twenty (20) grant applications submitted by the PRD (valued at \$3,849,500), the SNPCOC only approved eleven (11) projects (valued at \$1,282,500).

**The eleven grant applications approved by SNPCOC (SNP0809) is as follows:**

District	Project	SNP Request	Total Project Cost	Matching Funds
2	Little River Park	\$100,000	\$200,000	CDBG
7	Sunkist Park	\$175,000	\$350,000	QNIP
9	Ben Shavis Park	\$100,000	\$200,000	CDBG
9	Naranja Park	\$110,000	\$221,000	QNIP
10	Ruben Dario Park	\$72,800	\$145,600	GOB
10	McMillian Park	\$191,600	\$383,200	GOB
10	Blue Lakes Park	\$140,600	\$281,200	QNIP
11	Millers Pond Park	\$155,000	\$310,000	QNIP
11	Westwind Lakes Park	\$45,000	\$90,000	QNIP
11	Lago mar Park	\$96,000	\$192,000	QNIP
11	Hammocks Community Park	\$96,000	\$192,000	QNIP

**Budgetary Impact**

The grant application will only contribute \$3,849,500 toward the estimated total project cost of \$7,699,000. The remaining project costs will be provided from various sources to include QNIP, CDBG, Impact Fees and GOB funds.

**Questions**

The following questions and/or requests were posed to the Office of Capital Improvements and responses were not received at the time of printing.

- What is the status of the remaining projects left in the SNP program;
- What is the amount of funds remaining in the SNP program;
- List of applicants that submitted applications for the SNP Bond Grant Program by the July 21, 2009 deadline (RFP SNP0809);
- What is the amount of unallocated funds currently available in this bond grant program?

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