

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is announcing the opening of the **2022 Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) grant cycle**.

Purpose: The LGGP is a State Lottery funded reimbursement grant program. Its purpose is to help local government agencies fund outdoor park and recreation areas and facilities, and acquire property for park purposes.

Project Types: Development, Rehabilitation, Acquisition, and Planning.

Eligible Applicants: Cities, Counties, Park and Recreation Districts, Port Districts and Metro.

Available Funding	Large Grants	\$ 11,645,000	(Category Total)
Projections for	Small Grants	\$ 2,055,000	(Category Total)
2022 Cycle:	Planning Grants	<u>\$ 300,000</u>	(Category Total)
-	Total	\$ 14,000,000	,

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 Additional Funding: The 2022 cycle includes 2021 funding that was not awarded because the 2021 cycle was canceled due to the pandemic and uncertainty about Lottery funding.
Scoring Criteria: 2022 LGGP applications will be scored based on criteria outlined in the 2019-2023 Oregon Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP).
Bike and Pedestrian Trails focus: Following the passage of *House Bill 2592* in 2019, up to \$2 million will be allocated in this cycle for Bike and Pedestrian Trails and Pathways.

Returning Applicants: Current users do not need to request a new access account to submit a new LGGP application. Reminder: Your User Name is your full email address. Your Password is one set by you.

New Applicants: New users must request an access account in order to access the online grant application system. Requests may take up to 3 business days to process.

Access: To request an account and/or to access the applications, grant manual, application instructions and program schedule, go to: **oprdgrants.org**

2022 LGGP Schedule:

- Jan 1, 2022 Large, Small and Planning Grant Applications available at oprdgrants.org
- Feb 15 Webinar Workshop via Zoom, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
- Apr 1 Large Grant Applications due
- May 1 Small Grant Applications due
- May 15 Planning Grant Applications due
- Jun Large Grant Application Presentations to LGGP Advisory Committee
- Sep OPRD Commission Review of projects recommended for funding

To Registration for the live online Workshop select this link:

<u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YAu5zdqwR0ecTR8H-jsaGw</u> Also, the live Workshop will be recorded so you can view it anytime after February 15th.

Please forward this announcement to anyone else in your agency who might appreciate the information. Thanks!

City of Rainier Parks, Recreation and Education Committee Meeting November 30, 2021 6 p.m. Rainier City Hall

Chair Levi Richardson called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Kristi Cole, Terry Deaton, Sharon Jump, Gary Rice, Levi Richardson and Denise Watson

Committee Members Absent: Scott Cooper, Tiffany Hatley, Randall Johnstun, Jason Nulph and Laura Tretheway

City Staff Present: Sue Lawrence, Public Works Director; W. Scott Jorgensen, City Administrator

Flag Salute

Visitor Comments: Mike Barnes said he supports the dog park concept at the proposed location under the C Street bridge. He owns the old laundromat property that's immediately adjacent to it and suggests that the street going through there be made a one-way. Public Works Director Sue Lawrence said the area needs to be evaluated. The state recently inspected the bridge and there are things that the city needs to do.

Consider Approval of the Consent Agenda

Consider Approval of the October 25, 2021 Parks, Recreation and Education Committee Meeting Minutes—Denise Watson moved to approve the minutes. That motion was seconded by Vice Chair Gary Rice and adopted unanimously.

New Business

a. Feasibility of Fox Creek Park Location—Lawrence said the city needs an overarching plan and should consider having a study done. It can contract with a consultant to put it together. That study can include goals and what the city needs to get done. She looked at the parks plan for the City of Scappoose and recommends that the city do something similar. She's done outreach to someone that does parks planning and can show what the costs will be for maintenance and operations. A study was done for the riverfront trail in 2004 and she used that document to get the project completed. Those kinds of plans help when it comes time to put projects out to bid and apply for grant funding. The riverfront trail study helped the city land over \$80,000 in grant funding for the project's third phase. Richardson agreed. He said doing all the planning at once could save the city some money. Lawrence said having a plan will allow for improvements to be phased in to budgets. Those projects can be extended with change orders. A plan can also help with the process for receiving estimate and bids for improvements. It can include a needs assessment and incorporate work that's already being done, such as the survey. Some cities have system development charges for parks and funds are available for trails because the state sets aside a portion of gas tax proceeds for that purpose. The current park plan is from the late 1990s. A consultant can determine the feasibility of proposed improvements, rank priorities and provide cost estimates to give a road map. Denise Watson asked what information the consultant would need. Lawrence said the park survey and the previous park plan would be a good start. The consultant may look at the locations the committee is examining. There's a waterfront area on the other side of the railroad tracks in city limits. It isn't usable but could maybe have a trail. Jorgensen said the Fox Creek area is one the locations the committee visited during its field trip. It's adjacent to a church, but the pastor is supportive of the concept. Lawrence said the city will need to determine if there would have to be bathrooms there and if so, what kind. Jorgensen asked if the church parking lot would have to be used for a park there. Lawrence said it would. Richardson said there is adequate parking at the site, but some of it needs work. There would have to be an easement agreement. Lawrence said the city could agree to make some of the parking lot improvements as part of an agreement for access to the site. Jorgensen said the trail that the property leads to is maintained by Friends of Fox Creek.

- b. Feasibility of Dog Park at C Street Location-Barnes said parking for that location could even be on the property itself. The city could add a bathroom and fencing for the dog park. Lawrence said a land survey would have to be done. She's not sure what the city owns. A survey would cost between \$2000 and \$3000. Jorgensen said most of the dog parks he's seen have separate areas for large and small dogs. Rice said they typically have sets of double gates. Lawrence noted that the stream channel there has changed over the years. There are funds available to develop dog parks. Issues involving mowing, cleanup and garbage would have to be sorted out before that park could be developed. Jorgensen said the survey results showed strong support for a dog park. There are frequent clashes in small towns between on and off leash dog owners. Survey respondents indicated they did not want a dog park near peoples' houses. Lawrence said many dog owners currently use the little league field at the city park and she would like to see that change. Rice said survey respondents don't want to see a dog park at the city park.
- c. Feasibility of Mini Golf Putting Green at Various Locations—Jorgensen said he was surprised at the level of support for this concept in the survey results. Lawrence said the putting greens could even be placed at multiple locations throughout the city. Jorgensen said the first one

could be installed at the city park as a pilot project. Terry Deaton said there are many golfers in town.

Committee members agreed to have the next meeting January 24 at 6 p.m.

Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Levi Richardson, Chair

W. Scott Jorgensen, City Administrator