

RESOLUTION No. 2008-227-915

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS BOND PROGRAM TO RENOVATE AND PURCHASE SPORTS LIGHTING FOR NORTH DADE OPTIMIST PARK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Miami-Dade County have authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose of financing capital improvement programs for certain parks, beaches, natural areas and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, to implement and give effect to the bond program, Miami-Dade County, Florida enacted Ordinance No. 96-115, the Safe Neighborhood Parks Ordinance (SNP) (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, Coalition to Improve North Dade, Inc. (CIND), was awarded a series of community based organization grants from Miami Dade County for the construction of a recreation building at the North Dade Optimist Park using SNP funds, and

WHEREAS, Ownership of North Dade Optimist Park was officially transferred to the City of Miami Gardens from Miami Dade County as a result of its incorporation, and

WHEREAS, The City took over the renovations of North Dade Optimist with endorsement from CIND, and

WHEREAS, City of Miami Gardens wishes to make application to SNP for the grant monies for the projects listed below subject to all terms and conditions of the Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby authorizes the City Manager to make application for a grant for the projects and in the amount listed below, and in connection with such application to execute such grant agreement and other contracts and documents, to expend Safe Neighborhood Parks bond funds received for the purposes described in the funding request, to execute any necessary amendments to the grant application and contracts, and take such other acts as may be necessary to bind the City of Miami Gardens and accomplish the intent of this resolution. Application shall be made with respect to the North Dade Optimist Park Project in the amount set forth below.

<u>Grant Title</u>	<u>Total Grant</u>
North Dade Optimist Park	\$75,000

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2008.



SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.  
City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: DANNY CREW, CITY MANAGER

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson  
SECOND BY: Councilman Gilbert

VOTE: 5-0

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u> X </u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson	<u> X </u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	___ (Yes)	___ (No) (out of town)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<u> X </u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III	<u> X </u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	___ (Yes)	___ (No) (out of town)
Councilman André Williams	<u> X </u> (Yes)	___ (No)

# City of Miami Gardens

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## Agenda Cover Page

Meeting Date: November 12, 2008

Fiscal Impact: No Yes

(If yes, explain in Staff Summary)

Funding Source: N/A

Contract/P.O. Requirement: Yes  No

Sponsor Name/Department:

**Antranette Pierre, Capital Projects**

Public hearing

Ordinance

1st Reading

advertising requirement:

RFP/RFQ/Bid # N/A

Quasi-Judicial

Resolution X

2nd Reading

Yes  No X

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## Staff Summary

Coalition to Improve North Dade, Inc. (CIND), a private, nonprofit organization comprised of residents, professionals and business representatives, was awarded a series of community based organization grants from Miami Dade County for the construction of a recreation building at the North Dade Optimist Park. As of July 2004, via County Resolution R-982-04, the County parks were officially transferred ownership to the City of Miami Gardens as a result of its incorporation; the agreement(s) with CIND were still considered active although funds had not yet been drawn down and construction had not yet begun. The City volunteered to take over the project with endorsement from CIND.

In order to facilitate the renovation of the park with all appropriate funds, the City has requested that all grant monies awarded to North Dade Optimist Park are transferred to the City. This includes a \$75,000 grant from the Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP). In order to consider this request, SNP has stated a resolution stating the project scope was required in to apply for the funding transfer.

To that end, the City will prepare an application to SNP for purpose of renovation at North Dade Optimist Park to include the procurement of new sports lighting and other miscellaneous items. As background, on September 10, 2008, the City Council authorized the purchase of sports lights at North Dade Optimist Park in the amount of \$117,669.00 from Musco Sports Lights, LLC. using Better Building Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) funds. If approved by Council, staff would use SNP funds which have an earlier expiration deadline, saving use of GOB monies for future renovation.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City's application for a grant in the amount of \$75,000 from the Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program.