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Education, Youth & Families Committee

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NOTICE

Education, Youth & Families Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

5:00 p.m.

1st Floor Council Committee Room

Agenda

1. Discuss A Resolution Approving A Grant Application By The Department Of Parks and Recreation To The Delaware Department of Health and Human Services For A Tobacco Prevention Grant
2. Discuss A Resolution Approving a Grant Application by the Department of Parks and Recreation to the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control for Improvements to the Playground at Eden Park
3. Discuss A Resolution Approving A Grant Application By The Department Of Parks and Recreation To The Delaware Department of Justice For A Safe Haven Grant
4. Discuss A Resolution Requesting that the Administration Launch a Senior Identification Program
5. Discuss A Resolution Urging the Delaware General Assembly to Mandate the Inclusion of Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct and Consent Information in Sex Education Courses
6. Presentation by Thomas Morrison regarding Free Youth Slingshot Lacrosse
7. Presentation by Sandra Bucay pertaining to educational learning modules for students with ADHD

(11/1/2018)

*Any members of the public who wish to speak during the committee meeting will be limited to **three minutes** per agenda item. If the public's permission to comment is abused, the Chair may exercise greater discretion in limiting public comment.*

Wilmington, Delaware
November 15, 2018

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Sponsor:

**Council
Member
Harlee**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Parks and Recreation, applied for a Tobacco Prevention Grant from the American Lung Association in Delaware in the amount of \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the proposed grant funds will be used to prevent the use of tobacco products, increase opportunities for daily physical activity for children and their families through the Winter Basketball League, and purchase uniforms for the Winter Basketball League; and

WHEREAS, no matching funds are required; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the American Lung Association in Delaware in the amount of \$10,000.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's application for a Tobacco Prevention Grant from the American Lung Association in Delaware in the amount of \$10,000.00. The funds will be used to prevent the use of tobacco products, increase opportunities for daily physical activity for children and their families through the Winter Basketball League, and purchase uniforms for the Winter Basketball League. No local matching funds are required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact on the City, because no local matching funds are required by the grant.

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**Council
Member
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WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Parks and Recreation, applied for an Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails Grant from the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control in the amount of \$100,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the proposed grant funds will be used to replace the playground equipment at Eden Park with new, safe equipment, and

WHEREAS, the grant requires at least a 100% match, which is already available from the Parks Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control in the amount of \$100,000.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's application for an Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails Grant from the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control in the amount of \$100,000.00. The funds will be used to replace the playground equipment at Eden Park with new, safe equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact on the City, because the offered matching funds were budgeted in the Parks Capital Budget.

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November 15, 2018

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**Council
Member
Harlee**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Parks and Recreation, applied for a Safe Haven Grant from the Delaware Department of Justice in the amount of \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, the proposed grant funds will be used to extend the hours of the Safe Haven program at William "Hicks" Anderson Community Center, and

WHEREAS, no matching funds are required; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the Delaware Department of Justice in the amount of \$10,000 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's application for a Safe Haven Grant from the Delaware Department of Justice in the amount of \$10,000. The funds will be used to extend the hours of the Safe Haven program at William "Hicks" Anderson Community Center. No local matching funds are required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact on the City, because no local matching funds are required by the grant.

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Wilmington, Delaware
November 15, 2018

WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington is fortunate to benefit from the diversity of ages and backgrounds represented among its residents and visitors; and

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**Council
President
Shabazz**

Co-Sponsor:

**Council
Member
Harlee**

WHEREAS, according to the last decennial Census conducted in 2010, the United States Census Bureau found some 8,185 residents ages 65 and older – a population comprising 11.6 percent of the Wilmington population. Subsequent data released by the Census Bureau in 2016 indicates an increase in that population, now comprising 12.8 percent of the population with an estimated total of 9,128 individuals; and

WHEREAS, the City has historically offered and administered a range of services and programs designed to assist seniors, particularly considering the financial constraints and expenses that can come with age. Those programs include a real estate tax exemption program, a water rate reduction program, a property tax exemption available to some caretakers of senior family members, and various programs through the Office of Constituent Services that provide necessary items, like fans, to seniors; and

WHEREAS, it is important that seniors are made aware of the services and programs available to them, so that they can access the support they may need. It is further important that the City has information on its senior residents; and

WHEREAS, in cities, towns and counties across the country, governmental leaders have taken steps to establish special supports for seniors, including programs like the New Castle County Police Senior Roll Call program which provides daily phone calls to enrollees to check on their wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the benefit of the City maintaining information on seniors for the purposes of ensuring they are provided with available support and are informed about programs that they could qualify for, City Council seeks to partner with the Administration to establish a Senior Identification Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that City Council respectfully encourages the Administration to establish a Senior Identification Program, and to take the following steps:

1. To establish a database with information on senior residents in Wilmington, to include basic contact information for the purpose of:
 - a. Ensuring that the City is able to keep senior residents informed about programs that could benefit them – including real estate tax exemptions and rate/fee waivers, as well as other programs and promotions currently in existence or that might arise in the future.
 - b. Ensuring that the City is aware of where seniors reside for emergency purposes.
 - c. Ensuring that the City adequately budgets for tax and fee exemptions available to seniors.
2. To establish a web page on the City website with information on this program, and with the option for users to register a senior for the database.
3. To partner with members of City Council, as well as Neighborhood Planning Council and Civic Association leaders, to spread the word about this program and about the benefits associated with being included in the database; among the tools that could be leveraged is the City's television station, WITN 22.

Passed by City Council,

Attest: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution respectfully requests that the Administration launch a Senior Identification Program, to include the establishment of a database of information on senior residents in Wilmington to ensure they are informed about real estate tax exemptions and rate/fee waivers, as well as other programs and promotions designed to assist seniors. Such a database would also assist the City for emergency purposes, and in ensuring that the budget adequately accounts for possible tax exemptions and fee waivers.

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WHEREAS, all people, regardless of race, gender, sex, class, age, sexual orientation and relationship status deserve to have their personal boundaries respected and feel safe in their own communities; and

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Sponsors:

**Council
Member
Dixon**

WHEREAS, a culture of consent aims to change the underlying behaviors and attitudes that support sexism, racism, ableism, sexual violence and harassment, and rape culture; and

**Council
Member
Harlee**

WHEREAS, all forms of sexual misconduct, particularly sexual assault and the absence of consent, have become recognized as an epidemic across the country, affecting people of all backgrounds; this is especially critical for people of marginalized identities; and

Co-Sponsor:

**Council
President
Shabazz**

WHEREAS, sexual consent, which is defined as clear verbal or non-verbal communication of a feeling of willingness to engage in sexual activity, may be revoked at any time and is required each time there is sexual activity, no matter the relationship status or duration between individuals. According to the Department of Justice, more than two-thirds (69%) of sexual assaults are not reported to the police, primarily due to fear of victim blaming or a general lack of support and action from available reporting infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the sources of sex education may be accessed formally, or informally, they should be medically accurate, comprehensive, and inclusive of individuals who are sexually active, sexually abstinent, survivors of sexual trauma, inclusive of pregnant and parenting individuals, representing marginalized and vulnerable populations. Educators must leverage these sources and align messaging to help young people determine how best to engage in positive, healthy relationships; and

WHEREAS, schools remain the best opportunity for adolescents to access accurate and comprehensive sexual health information, only eight states formally require sex-education courses to mention sexual assault and consent. The lack of consensus in terms of comprehensive school-based curricula that supports positive youth development, interpersonal relationships and respect for personal boundaries, necessitates the evaluation of sex-education coursework within public school curricula.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that Council urges the Delaware General Assembly to enact legislation that includes the discussion of sexual assault, consent and healthy relationships in sex-education public school curricula.

Passed by City Council,

Attest: _____
City Clerk

SYNOPSIS:

This resolution urges the Delaware General Assembly to enact legislation that bring up-to-date sex-education standards and curricula, with a particular focus on the inclusion of sexual assault, consent and the development of healthy relationships.