

**81-R-19**

**A RESOLUTION**

**Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Application for State Funding through the Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Grant Program**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Evanston owns property south of Oakton Street and west of Dodge Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the subject property is a 45.6 acre park commonly referred to as "James Park"; and

**WHEREAS**, James Park contains a playground, a picnic area, one basketball court, and six tennis courts which all need significant renovations and/or replacement to bring the park back to a high quality standard for users of James Park (the "Project") for a total project cost of \$800,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Evanston wishes to apply for state funds through the Open Space Land Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Grant Program, which would provide fifty percent (50%) of the funding, \$400,000, necessary for this Project and therefore the City portion of funding is also \$400,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Evanston has determined it is in the best interests of the City to apply for the OSLAD grant for state funding to fulfill the aforementioned Project goal,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:**

**SECTION 1:** The City Manager is hereby authorized to sign and submit all necessary application documents for the OSLAD grant to fund the James Park Renovation Project.

**SECTION 2:** The City Manager is also authorized and directed to negotiate and execute any additional documents required for the grant application as he may determine to be in the best interests of the City.

**SECTION 3:** That this Resolution 81-R-19 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Attest:



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Devon Reid, City Clerk

Adopted: July 22, 2019



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Stephen H. Hagerty, Mayor

Approved as to form:



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Michelle L. Masoncup, Corporation Counsel