

**THE CITY OF PLATTEVILLE, WISCONSIN
COUNCIL SUMMARY SHEET**

COUNCIL SECTION: ACTION ITEM NUMBER: VIII.C.	TITLE: Resolution 24-13 Accepting the DNR Stewardship Grant for the Eastside Trail Extension Project	DATE: September 24, 2024 VOTE REQUIRED: Majority
PREPARED BY: Joe Carroll, Community Development Director		

Description:

The Platteville Community Arboretum (PCA) is working on a plan for an expansion of the existing Rountree Branch Trail that would connect Business Highway 151 to Eastside Road. If adequate funding is available, they are also looking at acquiring a parcel of land along Valley Road that would be used for parking and a trail access point. In April of 2024, the Council authorized the submittal of a grant to the Wisconsin DNR for a land acquisition grant, which would provide up to 50% of the project costs. The City was the applicant for the grant on behalf of the PCA.

The DNR has sent a letter indicating that the project has been tentatively selected to receive a Stewardship grant in the amount of \$136,700. A local match of \$136,700 would be required to obtain the full grant amount. The PCA has indicated they will complete fundraising and apply for other grants to obtain this local match. The City will be responsible for administering the grant, acquiring the properties, and will own the properties and be responsible for future maintenance of the trail.

Final grant agreements and details regarding the project need to be completed, but the City needs to provide notice to the DNR if the grant will be accepted or not.

Budget/Fiscal Impact:

The grant requires a local funding match, but these funds will be obtained by the Platteville Community Arboretum through donations. The City will have Staff time involved in administering the grant and will own the property and have some maintenance responsibility in the future.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the acceptance of the grant to assist with the land acquisition project.

Sample Affirmative Motion:

"Motion to accept a DNR Stewardship Grant for the Southeast Rail Corridor Trail Land Acquisition project in the amount of \$136,700."

Attachments:

- Letter from Bureau of Community Financial Assistance
- Resolution 24-13

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September 10, 2024

City of Platteville
Clinton Langrek, City Manager
PO BOX 780
Platteville, WI 53818

Dear Mr. Langrek,

This will advise you that the 2024 (Fiscal Year 2025 Funding) project rankings and recommendations for outdoor recreation grant assistance funding for State Stewardship, Federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP) and Federal Land & Water Conservation (LWCF) programs are now complete.

I am pleased to inform you that the City of Platteville's application for the **Southeast Rail Corridor Trail Land Acquisition** project has been tentatively selected to receive a Stewardship grant in the amount of **\$136,700** from the Stewardship Local Assistance – Urban Green Space funding. The 2024 grant cycle was very competitive. The Department received 116 applications statewide requesting more than \$29 million in grant assistance for public outdoor recreation projects.

This letter represents tentative selection of your project for grant funding. Prior to execution of final grant agreements, I will work closely with you to update project details (set scope of work) and complete all reviews, approvals, and consultations required under applicable federal laws, state statutes, and administrative rules. These awards are contingent on successful completion of the review and approval process. Please note that the final grant amount may change based on updated project information and detailed review of eligible project costs. I will contact you soon to discuss next steps.

If you are no longer interested in receiving these grants, please let me know as soon as possible so that the Department can contact other applicants on the ranked list of projects regarding tentative grant awards.

I will remain as your primary Department point of contact for this project. Please call me at (608)516-9560 or email me at Cheryl.Housley@wisconsin.gov at any time.

Again, congratulations on the tentative selection of your project. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Housley

Cheryl Housley
Grant Project Manager
Bureau of Community Financial Assistance

cc: Joe Jacquinot -PCA

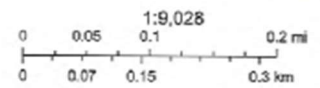
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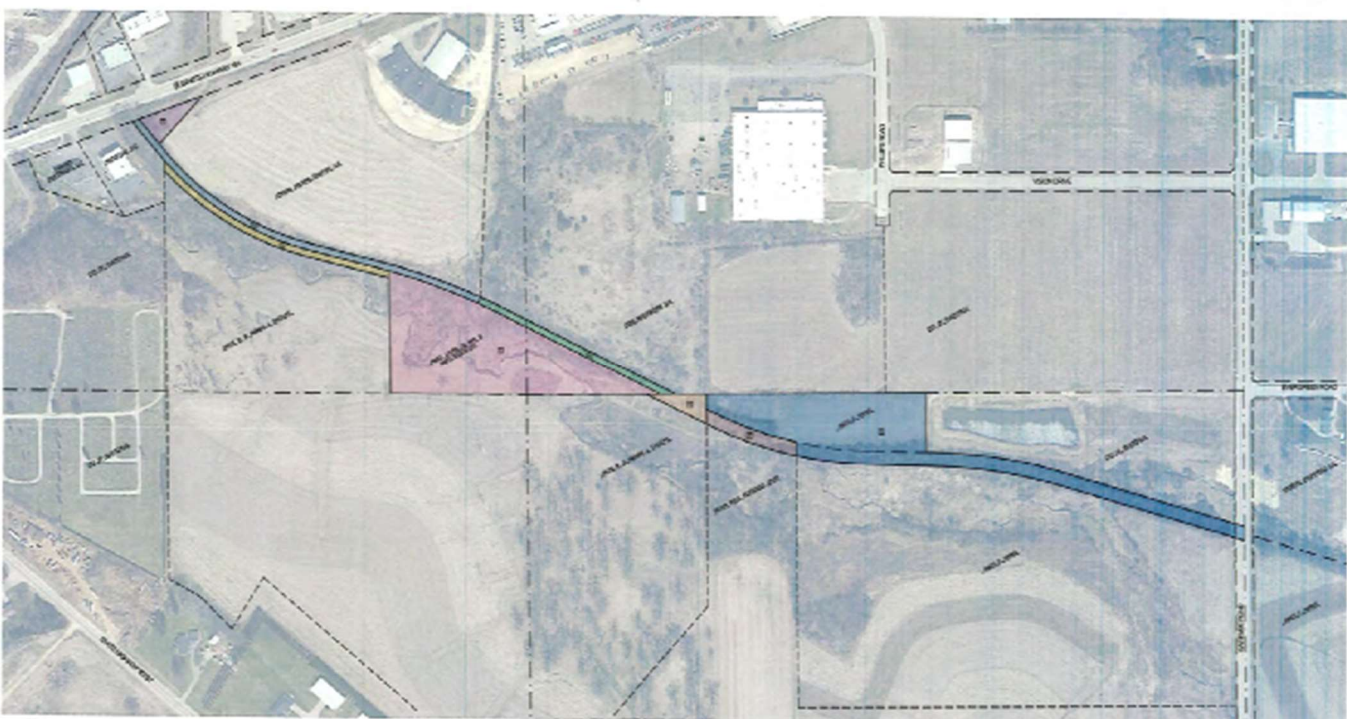


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- Centerlines
- Parcel Data (2023)
- City Boundary



TRAIL PROPERTY ACQUISITION
EXHIBIT



PRELIMINARY PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS

OWNER NAME	ACRES
WINDING ROAD	40.7500
WINDING ROAD	44.1400
PETER & MARLA J. BAGLEY, JR.	44.4400
JACOB & MARLA J. BAGLEY, JR.	67.4400
JAMES L. BAGLEY, JR. & MARLA J. BAGLEY, JR.	17.4400
WINDING ROAD	33.4400
WINDING ROAD	34.4400
JAMES L. BAGLEY, JR.	11.4400

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RESOLUTION 24-13

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DNR STEWARDSHIP GRANT FOR THE
EASTSIDE TRAIL EXTENSION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, after public meeting and due consideration, the City of Platteville submitted an application to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for grant funds to assist with the land acquisition for the Eastside Trail Extension project; and

WHEREAS, the project has been tentatively selected to receive a Stewardship grant in the amount of \$136,700 from the Stewardship Local Assistance – Urban Green Space funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Platteville will work with the Platteville Community Arboretum to obtain the necessary matching funds; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Common Council to approve the acceptance of these funds; and

NOW THEREFORE, THE COMMON COUNCIL HEREBY ACCEPTS THE GRANT FUNDS AND AUTHORIZES Clinton Langreck, City Manager, to act on behalf of the City of Platteville to: sign the final grant documents.

1. Sign the final grant documents and agreements with the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.
2. Complete the necessary agreements with the Platteville Community Arboretum to obtain the necessary matching funds.
3. Take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Platteville will comply with state or federal rules for the programs; may perform force account work; will maintain the completed project in an attractive, inviting, and safe manner; will keep the facilities open to the general public during reasonable hours consistent with the type of facility; and will obtain from the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources or the National Park Service approval in writing before any change is made in the use of the project site.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council does hereby accept grant funds for the above-named project; and that the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the City.

Approved and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Platteville this ____ day of September, 2024 on a vote of _____ to _____.

THE CITY OF PLATTEVILLE

By: Barbara Daus, Council President

ATTEST:

Colette Steffen, City Clerk