

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING)	RESOLUTION NO. 26-5621
METRO TO APPLY FOR A LOCAL)	
GOVERNMENT GRANT FROM THE OREGON)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT)	Marissa Madrigal in concurrence with
)	Council President Juan Carlos González

WHEREAS, the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department is accepting applications for its Local Government Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, Metro Council and staff have worked with community to identify improvements at Blue Lake Regional Park as a high priority need in Metro’s system of parks and natural areas; and

WHEREAS, Metro Parks and Nature desires to participate in the State grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing needed park and facilities improvements at Blue Lake Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, funds have been allocated from the Take Care of Metro Parks program area of the 2019 voter approved Parks and Nature bond to fund park renovation planning, design, and construction of phase 1 of the Blue Lake Regional Park renovation plan; and

WHEREAS, grant funds would be used to supplement construction of the phase 1 renovation including accessible park paths, trails through a restored wetland habitat, new nature experiences, picnic shelter improvements, basketball and volleyball court upgrades, and replacement of wayfinding and interpretive signs; and

WHEREAS, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department requires the applicant to provide Council resolution approving the application; and

WHEREAS, Metro local matching funds are available to fulfill Metro’s share of obligations related to this grant application should the grant funds be awarded; and

WHEREAS, Metro will adequately fund on-going operations and maintenance of this park and recreation facility should the grant funds be awarded; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council authorizes Metro Parks and Nature to apply for a local government grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department to implement the recreation facility improvements at Blue Lake Regional Park and delegates authority to the department director to sign the application.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 25th day of June 2026.

Juan Carlos González, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney