

**RESOLUTION NO. R26-87**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE NEBRASKA GAME AND PARKS COMMISSION FOR A RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 FOR THE PAWNEE PARK WEST TRAIL CONNECTION PROJECT; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, Nebraska, is authorized to submit and file an application for a Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grant administered through the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Park Trail Connection Project meets the goals and priorities identified in the current Nebraska Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan by improving trail connectivity, expanding access to outdoor recreation opportunities, and promoting active transportation and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the City, is requesting a grant in the amount of \$250,000 from the Recreational Trails Program; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is successful, matching funds in the amount of \$75,000 will be provided by the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the Pawnee Park Trail Connection Project cost is estimated to be \$325,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, that authorization be granted to submit an application to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission for a Recreational Trails Program Grant in the amount of \$250,000 for the Pawnee Park Trail Connection Project, and that the Mayor be authorized, directed, and empowered to execute the same on behalf of the City of Columbus.

This resolution shall repeal all resolutions or portions thereof in conflict herewith.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

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CITY ATTORNEY

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CITY CLERK