

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 18

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTIAL ABANDONMENT OF THE FOLLOWING TOPS TRAILS CATEGORY CIP PROJECTS: \$172,162-SINTON TRAIL AT CHESTNUT, \$111,694-SAND CREEK AT HANCOCK CROSSING, THE FULL ABANDONMENT OF \$100,000-CHAMBERLAIN TRAIL-ZOO SEGMENT AND TRANSFERRING THE REMAINING BALANCE OF \$16,144 FROM SKYLINE TRAIL FOR A TOTAL TRANSFER OF \$400,000 TO THE FOOTHILLS AND GATEWAY TRAIL PROJECTS AT THE GARDEN OF THE GODS REGIONAL PARK

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs (“City”) Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, through its Trails, Open Space and Parks Program (“TOPS”), has identified several Capital Improvement Project Trails line items that are either stalled or delayed; and

WHEREAS, a transfer of funds from those delayed projects can immediately facilitate the final buildout of the TOPS Foothills and Gateway Trail Capital Improvement Projects at the Garden of the Gods Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, action now to build the Garden of the Gods Regional Park Trails will result in a substantial savings of TOPS CIP funds overall due to value pricing bid secured for the Foothills and Gateway Trails contracts; and

WHEREAS, with each abandoned funding line item, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services must first secure landowner permission to cross private property before the funding can be utilized to construct the trails. The time required to complete that process will allow sufficient time to replace the funding on the timeline permitted by those project delays without compromising to the Department’s capacity to finalize those projects as well; and

WHEREAS, the funds identified for the Sinton Trail at Chestnut are unable to be expended until easement acquisition occurs allowing that trail alternative to be built; and

WHEREAS, the funds identified for the Sand Creek Trail Hancock Crossing are unable to be expended until easement acquisition occurs allowing that trail segment to be built; and

WHEREAS, the funds identified for the Chamberlain Trail Zoo segment are unable to be expended until easement acquisition occurs allowing that trail segment to be built; and

WHEREAS, the Skyline Trail project account shows a remaining fund balance after construction which may also be transferred to allow for construction of the Foothills and Gateway Trail projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. City Council hereby partially abandons the following TOPS trails category CIP projects: \$172,162-Sinton Trail at Chestnut and \$111,694-Sand Creek at Hancock

Crossing as recommended by the City administration through its City Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department staff in accord with City Code section 1.5.107.

Section 2. City Council hereby abandons the following TOPS trails category CIP project: \$100,000- Chamberlain Trail- Zoo as recommended by the City administration through its City Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department staff in accord with City Code section 1.5.107.

Section 3. City Council hereby approves the transfer of the identified amounts from the above referenced funds identified in Section 1 and Section 2 and the \$16,144 fund balance remaining from construction of the Skyline Trail to the Foothills and Gateway Trails at the Garden of the Gods Regional Park as recommended by the City administration through its Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department staff in accord with City Code section 1.5.108.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk