

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: October 17, 2023

New Business

Department: Recreation Services

Presenter(s): John Hudson, Budget Director

Contact(s): Allison Dains, Recreation Services Director

Subject: Woodfin Greenway, Silverline Park, Whitewater Wave, and Riverside Park

Brief Summary:

This budget amendment:

- Close the \$2,250,000 Woodfin Greenway - TDA Grant project and create three seperate projects (Silverline Park, Whitewater Wave, Riverside Park) for which the County serves as the fiscal agent for the Town of Woodfin with the Buncombe County Tourism Development Authority (TDA).

- Accept \$5,890,000 in TDA Tourism Product Development Fund (TPDF) grant awards into Whitewater Wave and Riverside Park projects.

- Accept \$11,733,001 in Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Block grant awards into the Woodfin Greenway project.

- Establish Woodfin Greenway as a Open Space/Greenway General Obligation Bond project and commit \$1,273,250 to the project in the Housing/Open Space Bond Projects Fund to fully fund the 20% County match required for accepting Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Block grant dollars committed to the project.

This will add \$13,866,251 to the Woodfin Greenway project, resulting in a total project budget of \$16,326,251. In addition, this will create a \$650,000 Silverline Park project, a \$2,565,497 Whitewater Wave project, and a \$4,064,503 Riverside Park project, which are all funded by TDA dollars. Overall, this will add \$18,896,251 in budget to all County projects associated with the Woodfin Greenway & Blueway, which will result in a \$23,606,251 in total budget for all County projects associated with the Woodfin Greenway & Blueway.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action: Approve budget amendments, approve Silverline Park, Whitewater Wave, and Riverside Park as projects in Capital Projects Fund, establish Woodfin Greenway as a GO Bond project