

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action Meeting Date: 3/21/2023

New Business

Department: Parks & Recreation

Presenter(s): John Hudson

Contact(s): Allison Dains, Parks and Recreation Director

Subject: Woodfin Greenway-TDA Grant Award

Brief Summary: In 2018, Buncombe County entered into a grant agreement with the Buncombe County Tourism Development Authority (TDA) to reimburse costs of greenway and blueway projects within the Town of Woodfin. The County also entered into an interlocal agreement with Woodfin for the County to serve as fiscal agent for the grant funds and provide project management support; Woodfin provides upfront project funding. The original grant agreement totaled \$2,250,000, and was budgeted in the Capital Projects Fund. The grant agreement with TDA was amended in 2020. A second amendment to the agreement is now being brought forward, which will increase the grant amount by \$5,890,000, extend project deadlines, and revise the payment schedule. This grant ordinance increases total grant funds from \$2,250,000 to \$8,140,000 and moves the original budget to the Grants Fund. These grant funds will be passed through to the Town of Woodfin.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action: Approve grant ordinance and accept award of additional grant funds from the TDA.

County Manager's comments and Recommendation: Approve as presented.