



# CITY OF CONCORD

## REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** David Gill, Parks and Recreation Director

**DATE:** March 24, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Rescind Funds from the Merrimack River Greenway Trail CIP#543 (2016) and Affirm the Appropriation to Terrill Park Trail Project CIP #59 (2020).

### **Recommendation:**

Accept this report and resolution.

### **Background**

The city was awarded a grant (\$100,000) from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) in 2016 to be used for the construction of the first section of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (CIP #543) elevated boardwalk. The first section of the walkway was proposed to start at the north end of Terrill Park. However, the proposed boardwalk cost came in significantly over budget and the project did not move forward.

Last year city staff received permission from LWCF and City Council to repurpose the 2016 LWCF grant (\$100,000) to help with the cost of the Phase 1 of Terrill Park (CIP#59). Along with the LWCF grant the City appropriated \$178,760 and the Friends of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail agreed to pay \$69,000. Phase 1 included building a paved section of Merrimack River Greenway Trail, new parking lot, new dog park and related site improvements.

However, at the time City Council appropriated the funds staff did not include the required resolution to rescind funds for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (CIP#543, 2016). This report and resolution is to rescind those funds and affirm the use of those funds on Terrill Park CIP #59 Phase 1.