RESOLUTION NO. RES-2019-142

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING THE PARKS MEASURE INITIAL AND LONG-TERM PRIORITY PLAN

WHEREAS, Sonoma County placed a one-eighth of one percent sales tax measure, Measure M, entitled “Sonoma County Parks Improvement, Water Quality, and Fire Safety Measure” (“Measure M”) on the 2018 voters’ ballot; and

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2018, by Resolution RES-2018-177, City Council supported Measure M; and

WHEREAS, voters approved Measure M on November 6, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Measure M provides funding for uses as specified in the Expenditure Plan attached to and incorporated into the Measure; and

WHEREAS, an Initial and Long-Term Priority Plan is needed to determine priority use of the portion of Measure M funds allocated to the City of Santa Rosa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa approves the Parks Measure Initial and Long-Term Priority Plan, attached as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Exhibit A is made part of this Resolution.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 10th day of September, 2019.

AYES: (7) Mayor Schwedhelm, Vice Mayor Rogers, Council Members Combs, Fleming, Olivares, Sawyer, Tibbetts

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: Dina Manis (Oct 21, 2019)

Acting City Clerk

APPROVED: Schwedhelm

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Exhibit A – Parks Measure Initial and Long-Term Priority Plan
Sonoma County Measure M funds may be used for the following specific allowable uses as defined in the Sonoma County Measure M Expenditure Plan:

- Maintain parks and recreation facilities to ensure safe, clean, accessible visitor experiences
- Improve and develop athletic fields, playgrounds, restrooms, picnic areas and visitor amenities
- Create and expand parks, trails, bikeways, public art, and recreation and historical facilities
- Plan and develop bike paths and trails with connections to schools, community spaces and regional trails
- Provide recreational, educational and health programs for the community
- Decrease future fire risks, fuel loads and invasive plants on city owned open space parks
- Improve trails along waterways and riparian areas to benefit fish, wildlife habitat and water quality

City of Santa Rosa Initial and Long-Term Priority Plan:

Initial priority year 1-2:
- Fire-related parks and recreation damages such as Coffey, Rincon Ridge, Fir Ridge, Nagasawa and Francis Nielsen Parks
- Consultant recommendations for deferred maintenance and overall recommendations
- Develop and implement city-wide community outreach plan

Long-Term priority year 2-10:
- Determined via consultant recommendation, community outreach and recommendations from Board of Community Services (BOCS)
- Update priority plan for years 2-10
- Updated 2-10-year plan in place to be reviewed/updated on-going from community engagement and BOCS recommendations

Annual updates:
- Collect on-going city-wide community recommendations
- BOCS bi-annual review and recommendations
- City Council annual review and approval during budget approval process