

Councilmember _____ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION #26-017

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING FOR THE WATERFRONT

WHEREAS, Ramsey City Council recognizes the importance of parks and recreational benefit activities to the quality of life for *all* county residents; and

WHEREAS, these Area Benefit activities are especially valuable in residential areas serving individuals, families, and children known to be from Low and Moderate-Income households; and

WHEREAS, the water access benefits consisting of ADA trail, dock, watercraft and fishing equipment available at the neighborhood level, will provide healthy, quintessential Minnesota experiences without the expenses associated with automobiles, travel or resorts—thus improving the quality of life for participants, building favorable habits and facilitating myriad new skills; and

WHEREAS, Anoka County Community Development supports strong, healthy communities by investing in neighborhood improvements, and services for Low and Moderate-Income residents through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and

WHEREAS, Anoka County’s CDBG program includes Parks and Recreational Facilities like those proposed for The Waterfront in their High Priorities & Community Needs Consolidated Plan matrix; and

WHEREAS, the Park & Recreation Commission has recommended the application for CDBG funding for water access benefits at The Waterfront, an accessible park wholly within a L/M Income residential area.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA:

That, enthusiastic authorization is provided to apply for CDBG Public Facilities & Neighborhood Infrastructure funding as recommended by the Park & Recreation Commission on January 8th, 2026, to support a ‘non-housing high priority project’ that will deliver direct and lasting benefits to residents of Anoka County; and

That, the city of Ramsey hereby invites the Anoka County HRA Committee and HRA Board to partner on this water access and recreational benefits project that clearly meets community need, positively impacts the health and welfare of the community, and one that presents both an opportunity to expand the geographic scope and diversity in CDBG investments in the county—and uniquely serves L/M Income persons where they live.

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The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

none

and the following abstained:

none

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 13th day of January, 2026.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk