

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #26-075**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR MN DNR GRANT FUNDING FOR 2026-27 PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS AT RIVERDALE PARK**

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey City Council and the Park & Recreation Commission recognizes the importance of Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation to the quality of life for Ramsey residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Neighborhood Parks and their playgrounds are essential areas for play and creative and cognitive expression, as well as the positive physical development of children; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s established Playground Replacement Policy calls for annual or reoccurring playground replacement and renovations as funding allows; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s Strategic Plan directs the organization to “Identify and implement operational efficiencies, cost savings or additional funding sources” and that *Action 2.4*: [is to] “Apply for grant funds in conjunction with establishing funding sources; and

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

- 1) That, up to one hundred and twenty-five thousand (\$125,000), will be allocated from the Lawful Gambling Improvement Fund, for the purchase and installation of play equipment, poured-in-place resilient surfacing and related improvements, to match \$125,000 in Minnesota Outdoor Recreation Grant Program funding if awarded.
- 2) That, the aforementioned grant application is due March 31<sup>st</sup> 2026 and this Resolution authorizes staff to seek these funds, with the specifics of the playground project to be recommended by the Park & Recreation Commission to City Council later in 2026.

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:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk