AGENDA ITEM HISTORY SHEET

ITEM TITLE
Ordinance 2025-16 CPRG

AGENDA NO. 14

AGENDA DATE: 11/18/2025

FUNDING CERTIFICATION (Finance Director) (Signature, if applicable)

MANAGEMENT STAFF REVIEW (Signature)

MAYOR (Signature)

ITEM HISTORY (Previous Council reviews, action related to this item, and other pertinent history)

In 2025, the City of Bryant applied for construction funding through Metroplan's STBG program and was awarded $1,760,000 under the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) program instead. The funds will support construction, inspection, and project management for the Bryant Parkway Trail project.

ITEM COMMENTARY (Background discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.) Please identify any or all impacts this proposed action would have on the City budget, personnel resources, and/or residents.

The CPRG program, administered by Metroplan through the EPA, supports projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions through sustainable transportation infrastructure such as bicycle and pedestrian trails. Acceptance of this funding requires the City to adopt a preservation ordinance to retain ownership of the Bryant Parkway Trail until at least 2050, ensuring the trail remains in public use and good condition throughout the federal retention period.

Approval of this ordinance authorizes the City to accept the CPRG award, execute necessary agreements, and proceed with project implementation. The emergency clause allows the City to begin work and meet critical grant deadlines for funding obligation and project initiation.

(This section to be completed by the Mayor)

ACTION PROPOSED (Motion for Consideration)

Adopt the ordinance authorizing the City to accept the Metroplan CPRG for the Bryant Parkway Trail, preserve the trail through 2050, and declare an emergency to meet critical grant deadlines.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BRYANT TO ACCEPT THE METROPLAN CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANT FOR THE BRYANT PARKWAY TRAIL, TO PRESERVE THE TRAIL UNTIL 2050, COMPLY WITH GRANT REQUIREMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Metroplan received an EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) to support projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, including pedestrian and bicycle trail networks;

WHEREAS, the City of Bryant has been awarded $1,760,000.00 over five (5) years to implement the Bryant Parkway Trail project;

WHEREAS, the City agrees to complete the project in accordance with all grant requirements, federal, state, and local laws, including reporting, monitoring, and recordkeeping;

WHEREAS, the City agrees to retain total, direct control of the Bryant Parkway Trail until at least 2050 and will not, without EPA approval: sell, transfer, or abandon the trail, change the intended use, make significant alterations to grant-funded improvements; or cease maintenance or operation due to obsolescence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRYANT, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: The City is authorized to accept CPRG funds and implement the Bryant Parkway Trail project.

SECTION 2: Mayor Chris Treat is authorized to execute all agreements, contracts, and related documents required to carry out the project.

SECTION 3: The City shall retain control of the trail as described above until at least 2050 and comply with all grant obligations.

SECTION 4: If any part of this Ordinance is invalid, the remainder shall remain in effect.

SECTION 5: Any conflicting ordinances are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 6. EMERGENCY CLAUSE: It is hereby found and declared that an emergency exists so the City may begin project implementation and meet grant deadlines. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of November, 2025.

ATTEST:

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Mark Smith, City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED:

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Chris Treat, Bryant Mayor