

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

8/27/26

CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

Parks and Recreation

FUND:

General Fund

SUBJECT: Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 General Fund (Ordinance No. 20250813-005) to accept and appropriate \$25,000 in MLS GO PLAY FUND - NRPA Grant funds from the RCX Sports Foundation for the MLS GO recreational youth soccer program. Funding: \$25,000 is available from the RCX Sports Foundation. There is no City match required.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

	2025-26 Approved	This Action	2025-26 Amended
General Fund			
RCX Sports Foundation (MLS GO PLAY FUND - NRPA Grant)			
Grant Period: 01/2026 - 12/2029	0	25,000	25,000
Total	0	25,000	25,000
FTEs	0.00	0.00	0.00

FIVE-YEAR IMPACT:

	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Revenue	0	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Total Expenditures	0	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Net Impact	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The MLS GO PLAY FUND Organization Grant is available to current or future MLS GO league operators who have signed their operator contract, with preference given to non-profits or organizations supporting the non-profit sector, as well as local government agencies that manage park and recreation spaces, services, and programs. Grants can be used to offset costs, such as player subsidies, equipment, and safety requirements, with funding amounts determined case-by-case basis, depending on financial need. Following the guidelines set forth by the RCX Sports Foundation in their grant application process, Austin Parks and Recreation (APR) sought City Council authorization to apply to the MLS GO PLAY FUND Grant for up to \$25,000 in grant funding to support local park and recreation agencies. No City match is required.

The MLS GO League Operator Agreement has been finalized as of June 17, 2026. APR received approval from Austin Government Relations- Grants Division to proceed with the \$25,000 grant award as the application was submitted prior to the updated grant application minimum of \$55,000.

The General Fund will not be required to contribute additional funds beyond those currently budgeted to this grant. When the grant funds expire, the department's need for continuing funding will be evaluated and may be denied.