## CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date: November 6, 2023

Action Required: Resolution approval

Presenter: Riaan Anthony, Deputy Director - Parks Division

Staff Contacts: Riaan Anthony, Deputy Director - Parks Division

Title: Resolution to appropriate Virginia Department of Education Special

Nutrition Program Child and Adult Care Food Program funding - \$30,000

(1 of 2 readings)

### **Background**

The City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has received approval for a reimbursement of up to \$30,000 from the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program to provide free dinner to children 18 and under attending our drop-in afterschool programs through their Child and Adult Care Food Program.

## **Discussion**

Charlottesville Parks and Recreation will operate an afterschool meals program for 36 weeks, during the regular school year. There are currently 3 locations: Greenstone on 5th, South First Street, and Westhaven Community Centers that serve children 18 years and under. The reimbursement will cover the costs of a nutritious dinner at these locations, which also have an educational/enrichment component. Dinner will be served from 4:30pm - 6:30 pm at the various community centers. Most of the children served receive free or reduced meals during the school year. Over 200 children will be served each week during the school year. The dinners are purchased through the City of Charlottesville School Food Service. The Parks and Recreation Department pays the bills to the City of Charlottesville Food Service and is then reimbursed by the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Programs.

## Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

Approval of this agenda item aligns directly with Council's vision -To be a place where everyone thrives and it contributes to the Strategic Plan - Recreation, Art Culturey. Children will receive a nutritious dinner, hopefully replacing a meal that did not exist or providing a healthier balanced option for them.

#### **Community Engagement**

N/A

### **Budgetary Impact**

There is no impact to the General Fund. The funds will be appropriated, expensed, and reimbursed to a Grants Fund. There is no required local match for this program.

## Recommendation

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of funds.

# **Alternatives**

N/A

# **Attachments**

1. Resolution VDE Special Nutrition \$30,000