

# Council Communication

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Roll Call No. <u>15-2065</u> Communication No. <u>15-630</u>

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and Recreation Director

### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approval of Wellmark Foundation grant agreement for purchase of exercise equipment for Pioneer Columbus Community Center in the amount of \$10,000.

## **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approving acceptance of the grant agreement from Wellmark Foundation to the City of Des Moines toward the purchase of exercise equipment for Pioneer Columbus Community Center in the amount of \$10,000.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$10,000

Funding Source: 2015-16 CIP, Page Park Improvements-5, Community Center Improvements

Program, PK033.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce that it has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Wellmark Foundation to be used toward the purchase of exercise equipment at Pioneer Columbus Community Center.

Park and Recreation staff submitted a grant application for new exercise equipment for use at the Pioneer Columbus Community Center in September. This upgrade will include the purchase of four (4) new pieces of cardio equipment to replace current items that are either outdated or in disrepair. These new items will allow more people to engage in fitness and be accessible to a larger group of users.

The Wellmark Foundation launched the Community Kickstarter grant program with the intent to help communities become healthier places to live, work, learn, and play. The foundation has a focus of helping organizations promote active living and healthy eating in their respective communities. Grants of up to \$10,000 were awarded to 35 projects.

With the continued effort of Parks and Recreation staff to enhance the community centers and offer the highest quality and most diverse programming for citizens, this grant makes this initiative even more achievable.

The grant agreement does authorize the Wellmark Foundation to photograph and videotape the purchased equipment after it is installed at the Pioneer Columbus Community Center and to use such photographs and videotapes on its Website and for public reports, press releases, presentations, and newsletters.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE** 

# ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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