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authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of up to \$150,000 in private contributions to the Hartung Park project for purchasing various park amenities.

BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION

1. The Hartung Quarry site is located near West Keefe Avenue and North Menomonee River Parkway. For over 40 years, the City of Milwaukee has used the Hartung Quarry site as a depository for clean fill.
2. The Hartung Quarry site is approaching its fill capacity. Once filled, a portion of the site will be converted into a recreational facility. The City worked with area residents to develop a plan for the conversion. The conversion plan (File #060292) was approved by the Common Council) on July 12, 2006.
3. On April 17, 2007, the Common Council adopted a resolution (File #061445) authorizing and directing the Commissioner of Public Works to apply for a State of Wisconsin Stewardship Local Assistance Grant in the amount of \$250,000 for the purpose of developing Phase I of the Hartung Park recreational facility. The resolution stated that the local share for Phase 1, consisting of City and project partners would be \$379,500.
4. On February 26, 2008, the Common Council adopted, a resolution (File # 071402) authorizing the Department of Public Works to fund and construct Phase 1 of the Hartung Park project.
5. The total estimated cost of Phase 1 of the Hartung Park project is approximately \$630,000 with \$250,000 provided by a Wisconsin Stewardship Local Assistance Grant, \$250,000 provided by the City, and the balance provided by private contributions. The City's 2008 Capital Budget includes funding for the City's portion of Phase 1 of the Hartung Park project.

FISCAL IMPACT

This resolution authorizes the Department of Public Works to accept and expend up to \$150,000 in private contributions, for the purchase of various Hartung Park amenities such as playground equipment.

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