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City of Alexandria, Virginia

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MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** JUNE 21, 2017

**TO:** THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** MARK B. JINKS, CITY MANAGER /s/

**DOCKET TITLE:**

Consideration of a Grant Application and Adoption of a Resolution to the 2017 Bark For Your Park Grant For Funding to Rehabilitate the Carlyle Dog Park. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

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**ISSUE:** Consideration of a Grant Application to the 2017 *Bark for your Park* Grant for funding to rehabilitate the Carlyle Dog Park.

**RECOMMENDATION:** That City Council:

1. Approve the attached *Bark for your Park* Grant Authorizing Resolution; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to proceed with the grant application to the 2017 *Bark for your Park* Grant for \$10,000 in park maintenance funding to rehabilitate the Carlyle Dog Park.

**BACKGROUND:** Pet Safe administers a *Bark for your Park* non-matching grant program for new and existing dog parks. Local jurisdictions may apply for \$25,000 for new dog parks, \$10,000 for park maintenance and \$5,000 for park equipment in grants. Staff is pursuing the \$10,000 for park maintenance grant. The grant would provide increased funding to rehabilitate the Carlyle Dog Park.

**DISCUSSION:** Due to increased use, the turf conditions at the Carlyle Dog Park remain in poor condition due to soil compaction and poor drainage. The Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities will use the grant award to supplement annual maintenance funding to improve drainage, enhance stormwater management systems and install more durable surface material to mitigate park surface degradation.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The total grant request for this project is \$10,000. RPCA will contribute an additional \$5,000 from the Parks Maintenance Operating Budget for a total project cost of \$15,000. No City match is required.

**ATTACHMENT:** *Bark for your Park* Grant Authorizing Resolution

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