

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, TO COMMIT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUTDOOR RECREATION PROJECTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN OUTDOOR RECREATION LEGACY PARTNERSHIP (ORLP) GRANT THROUGH THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TOBIE GRANT PARK.

WHEREAS, it continues to be the desire of DeKalb County to support the development and enhancement of its park system, as a means to providing equitable access to high-quality parks, trails, recreational amenities, and natural resources that enhance the health, well-being, and quality of life of its residents; and

WHEREAS; Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) is America's premier federal program tasked with safeguarding natural areas, protecting water resources, expanding outdoor recreation opportunities and is responsible for funding grant programs like Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP); and

WHEREAS, LWCF has released call for applications for funding from the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Grant Program, administered by the National Park Service, this grant opportunity provides competitive financial assistance to create, renovate, and improve outdoor recreation facilities in communities with the greatest need; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs desires to submit an application to improve and enhance Tobie Grant Park by renovating and replacing the outdated pavilions and playground as well as reconfiguring the parking lot; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements will support the County's long-term goals of expanding access to parks and recreation, promoting healthy lifestyles, protecting environmental resources, and investing in sustainable public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the ORLP review committee may choose to award an amount that is less than the maximum award which DeKalb County applies for; and

WHEREAS, if awarded the grant money, DeKalb County will provide all necessary certifications and assurances required including but not limited to proof of 1:1 local match for the ORLP project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that the Governing Authority:

1. Authorizes the submission of an application for an Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership (ORLP) Grant for improvements to Tobie Grant Park.
2. Authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or his/her designee, is authorized to execute all applications, agreements, certifications, assurances, and other documents necessary to apply for and administer the grant, if awarded.
3. Authorizes the use of designated CIP/SPLOST funds in the amount of \$ 1,900,000 million approved in FY2023 and FY 2026 as local matching funds and any additional funds necessary to complete the proposed project should grant funding be awarded.

August 11th, 2026

\ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this _____ day of _____, 2026

Chakira J. Johnson
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

LORRAINE COCHRAN-JOHNSON
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood, CCC, CMC
Clerk of the Chief Executive Officer
and Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

August 11th, 2026

EXHIBIT A

