

60-R-05**A RESOLUTION****Authorizing the City Manager to Sign
A Fiscal Year 2005/06 Grant Application through the
Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation for Renovations to the
Baseball/Softball Field at Mason Park**

WHEREAS, the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation provides grants to support grassroots youth baseball and softball in local communities and increases opportunities for children and youth, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to: have access to healthy out-of-school activities that teach baseball/softball skills; promote physical fitness; celebrate individual, team and league accomplishments; and provide an environment in which young people can learn teamwork, sportsmanship and a strong work ethic while having fun in a positive environment; and

WHEREAS, a Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation Grant can be requested for the renovation of existing public youth baseball/softball fields; and

WHEREAS, the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation Grant operates with a dollar-for-dollar match. The maximum grant request is \$30,000 (thirty thousand and no/100 dollars); and

WHEREAS, the City's Parks/Forestry and Recreation Department will submit a grant proposal for \$16,000 (sixteen thousand and no/100 dollars) to renovate the baseball/ softball field at Mason Park. The renovations will include earthwork and grading, supplementation of the infield mix to conform with the proposed skinned infield layout, integration of calcine clay material into the top 4" of the infield to improve recovery following rain events, construction of home plate and batter's/catcher's box

areas, and seeding and hydro-mulching of all areas disturbed by construction. The total project cost is \$32,000 (thirty-two thousand and no/100 dollars). The City's match of \$16,000 (sixteen thousand and no/100 dollars) has been secured through the Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant application must be submitted by October 15, 2005,

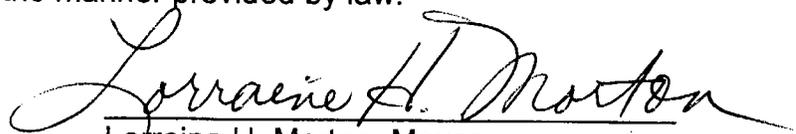
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: That the foregoing recitals are found as fact and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2: That the City Manager is hereby authorized to sign the application for the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation Grant to renovate the baseball/softball field at Mason Park.

SECTION 3: That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate any additional terms and conditions of the grant as may be determined to be in the best interests of the City.

SECTION 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.



Lorraine H. Morton, Mayor

Attest:



Mary P. Morris, City Clerk

Adopted: October 10, 2005