REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Agenda Section: New Business

Originating Department:

Date

No: 5

Public Works

11/15/21

Item: Noxious Weed and Invasive Plant Grant

No. 5.5

SUMMARY OF REQUESTED ACTION:

The City's Natural Resources and Sustainability Coordinator prepared a grant application for \$ 5,000 to help control the oriental bittersweet vine infestation on the southern slope of Sugar loaf park. This area contains a high density of the invasive plant, and its control will help protect the forested areas in neighboring residential areas and control the prevalence throughout Sugarloaf Park.

The City is not required to provide any match, but to increase our grant competitiveness and spread the dollars further, staff is suggesting the city provide herbicide for the treatment from our existing stock. Staff will also direct volunteers for follow up work activities, and in future years to continue suppressing the oriental bittersweet.

If Council concurs, a motion authorizing staff to summit the grant application would be in order.

Department Approval:

In W. Hound

City Manager Approval: