



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Amend the FY 2022 Council Approved Budget to Accept and Appropriate a \$5,000.00 Gift from Tyla Matteson to be used by the City of Hampton's Department of Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services to Fund Maintenance and Enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter Pursuant to City Code § 2-134

### **PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

In honor of her mother, Tess Matteson, Tyla Matteson is donating funds to the Department of Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services to support maintenance and further enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter. In FY 2021, Ms. Matteson donated \$10,000 to fund the construction of a walkway from the parking lot to the Shelter, located between the Hampton Police Division building and the Hamptons Golf Course clubhouse, and for landscaping around the Shelter. Council accepted and appropriated that donation on September 23, 2020.

### **Discussion:**

Tyla Matteson is donating \$5,000.00 to the Department of Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services in FY 2022 to support the maintenance and further enhancement of the Matteson Trail. Ms. Matteson's mother, Tess Matteson, a resident of Hampton, was instrumental in the development of the Trail and this gift is made in her honor. Ms. Matteson has also pledged to donate an additional \$5,000.00 in FY 2023 to support additional maintenance and enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter.

### **Impact:**

The financial impact increases the City Budget by the \$5,000.00 donation. This gift relates to City Council's Strategic Priorities by generating resources to create vibrant and authentic places for the community that reflect and celebrate culture, history and character. The direct impact of the donation is that it will support the maintenance and enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter, making it more accessible and attractive for use by the citizens of the City of Hampton.

### **Recommendation:**

Approve

**WHEREAS**, Tyla Matteson previously donated \$10,000 to fund the construction of a walkway from the parking lot to the Shelter at Matteson Trail and for landscaping around the Shelter, which Council accepted and appropriated on September 23, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, at that time, Tyla Matteson made a further commitment to donate \$2,000.00 per year for the next five (5) years to assist with future maintenance of Matteson Trail and Shelter;

**WHEREAS**, Tyla Matteson has decided to modify that commitment to shorten the timeframe for the donation to be two (2) years instead of five (5) years and increase the annual donation amount from \$2,000.00 to \$5,000.00;

**WHEREAS**, at this time, Tyla Matteson has generously agreed to donate \$5,000.00 to the City of Hampton's Department of Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services to fund the maintenance and enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter;

**WHEREAS**, Tyla Matteson makes this gift in honor of her mother, Tess Matteson, for whom the trail is named and who was instrumental in the development of the trail and nurtured the progress of the trail for many years;

**WHEREAS**, Tyla Matteson's donation of \$5,000.00 is being made for the specific purpose of funding the maintenance and enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter;

**WHEREAS**, Tyla Matteson has made a further commitment to the City of Hampton to donate \$5,000.00 in FY 2023 to assist with future maintenance and enhancement to the trail and shelter; and

**WHEREAS**, acceptance of such donations by the City of Hampton, pursuant to Hampton City Code § 2-134, requires the approval of the Hampton City Council to the extent the amount or value of such gifts or donations is \$5,000.00 or greater, and the City Manager seeks that approval, submitting that acceptance is in the best interest of the City.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia hereby amends its Fiscal Year 2022 Council Approved Budget to (1) accept a \$5,000.00 gift from Tyla Matteson to be used by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services, as authorized by City Code Section 2-134, for the maintenance and enhancement of the Matteson Trail and Shelter; and (2) appropriate the \$5,000.00 to the Department of Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services Department from Unassigned Fund Balance as authorized by City Code § 2-134. The conditions pertaining to this donation will be recorded in the City Council minutes as set forth in City Code § 2-134(a).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia authorizes the City Manager, or her designee, to take any and all actions necessary to implement this gift.