

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** November 8, 2023

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Through:** Doug Thornley, City Manager

**Subject:** Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of the allocation of American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to the Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation for the development of the Virginia Range Trail Corridor Plan in the amount of \$50,000 from ward specific allocated funds. [Duerr]

**From:** Janna Moyer, Community Liaison

**Department:** City Manager's Office

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**Summary:**

Councilmember Duerr would like to allocate \$50,000 of American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) to Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation for development of the Virginia Range Trail Corridor Plan.

<b>Consent Review</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?	X	
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?		X
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?	X	
<b>Other Considerations</b>		
What percent of the total city budget does this item represent?		.00005807

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:** Infrastructure, Climate Change & Environmental Sustainability

**Previous Council Action:**

August 25, 2021: Council approved the use of SLFRF to support the City of Reno implementation plan.

**Background:**

The City of Reno received \$51,519,997 from the SLFRF and began allocating funds on August 25, 2021. Part of this allocation included \$70,000 to each Reno ward for ward-specific projects. The City of Reno Parks & Recreation Department aims to create a sustainable, community-

focused parks, trails, open space, and recreation system. This project aligns with Master Plan guiding principle 7.2A: actively pursue opportunities to acquire and retain as open space, trails, or greenways areas that support the implementation of an interconnected network within the urbanized area and that provide connections to other parts of the region.

**Discussion:** Councilmember Duerr would like to allocate \$50,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act SLFRF allocation plan adopted by Council at the August 25, 2021 Council meeting to the Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation. These funds will be used to determine the overall feasibility of developing a Virginia Range Open Space Corridor, and if feasible, define a trail system and series of recreation easements needed to establish the Virginia Range Trail System. This amount will be drawn from ward specific allocated funds.

**Financial Implications:**

Funds would be allocated from the American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF).

**Legal Implications:**

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends Council approves the reallocation of funds.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move to approve staff recommendation.

**Attachments:**

Scope & Budget

Subrecipient Agreement