BOARD OF ALDERMEN

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT MEETING DATE: January 10, 2006

TITLE: A Resolution of Appreciation and Budget Amendment for Donated Funds to Purchase and Install Shade Sails over the Town Commons Play Equipment

DEPARTMENT: Recreation and Parks	PUBLIC HEARING: NO
ATTACHMENTS:	FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:
A. Resolution	Anita Jones-McNair – 918-7381
B. Budget Amendment	Susan Stone – 541-1146

PURPOSE:

The Recreation and Parks Department requests the Board of Aldermen to consider adopting a resolution of appreciation to the Carrboro Parks Project (CPP) for their donation of \$11,100 to install a shade sail over the play equipment located at the Carrboro Town Commons. The Town will also contribute an additional \$500 from contingency, bringing the total project cost to \$11,600. Also, the Board is asked to consider adopting the related budget amendment.

INFORMATION:

The Carrboro Parks Project (CPP) volunteered to raise funds for the Town Commons to purchase and install a shade structure over the play area. On May 4, 2004, the Board authorized the CPP to proceed with fundraising for the shade sail structure. At the August 17, 2004 Board Meeting, the CPP provided a status report on their fundraising efforts, and the Board approved \$500 from the contingency fund for this project. In case of unexpected expenses, the Board approved an additional amount up to \$1,500 at the October 4, 2005 meeting, of which only \$500 is needed.

During the past year, various fundraising opportunities were implemented for this project. By December 2, 2005, the CPP raised a total of \$11,100. The breakdown of the funds raised by the CPP is as follows: \$8,500 - donations/fundraisers, \$1,000 - Challenge Grant, and \$1,600 - Strowd Roses Grant (total \$11,100). The anticipated completion date for this project is March 2006.

FISCAL IMPACT

This project will require \$500 from the contingency fund. The balance in the contingency fund, after spending the \$500 will be \$5,500.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board accept this donation for the shade sail project at the Town Commons and adopt the resolution and budget amendment.