

**BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2024**

**4:00 O'CLOCK P.M.
Workshop**

**5:00 O'CLOCK P.M.
Board Meeting**

**4600 East 63rd Trafficway
Kansas City, Missouri 64130**

Workshop

4 p.m. – Swope Pool Discussion

4:45 p.m. – MLK Jr. Park Pedestrian Bridge over Brush Creek

Board Meeting

Call to Order – President Beth Haden

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: President Haden, Commissioner Contreras, Commissioner Gorenc, Commissioner, Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Taylor

On a motion by Commissioner Gorenc, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras the Board approved the February 27, 2024 Board Minutes.

Resolution #32436 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement – Heart of America Shakespeare Festival

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with Heart of America Shakespeare Festival and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The Heart of America Shakespeare Festival Inc's mission is to make the works of Shakespeare accessible to a diverse audience through a free, professional, outdoor festival.

The Heart of America Shakespeare Festival, Inc, wishes to enter a Facility Use with Concessions Agreement for the use of Southmoreland Park, located on Emanuel Cleaver II Boulevard and Oak Street, and the 44th block of Warwick and Oak Streets to Emanuel Cleaver II Boulevard, to host the Annual Heart of America Shakespeare Festival. This agreement will allow the Heart of American Shakespeare Festival, Inc to provide free theatrical performances of Julius Caesar, Tuesday, June 11, through Sunday, June 30, 2024. Gates will open at 6:00 p.m. each evening with pre-entertainment, theatrical performance will start at 8 p.m., and gates would close at approximately 11 p.m. Set-up starts May 20, and tear down ends on July 6, 2024. The expected attendance is between 25,000 to 29,000.

As an on-going and continuing partnership with the Heart of America Shakespeare Festival Inc., Parks and Recreation will be recognized as a *Season Sponsor* on all festival marketing materials with the

waiver of all parks event permit fees. HASF, Inc. will be required to compensate the Parks and Recreation Department's hard costs, which will cover festival trash removal fees, dumping fees and turf restoration at the conclusion of the festival. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements, including liquor liability and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A plan for parking control
2. Safety and security plan
3. Marketing plan
4. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
5. Map of event layout
6. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event
7. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event

Resolution #32437 - Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with Brookside Business Association

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with the Brookside Business Association and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: Brookside Business Association's Brookside Art Annual event will feature over 180 artists that have been selected from hundreds of applications. The Brookside Art Annual is the first major art show of the year and showcases top artists from across the country and attracts thousands of art enthusiasts from across the region.

The Brookside Business Association wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concessions Agreement for the use of Brookside Court Park, Brookside Boulevard between 63rd street and Meyer Boulevard to hold their Art Annual on May 3 through May 5, 2024. The Brookside Art Annual is known for its festive atmosphere, hospitality, and convenience, and has become a must-attend event for artists and art seekers alike.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will be compensated \$4,600 for this three-day event. Set-up will begin May 2, 2024, at 8 a.m. and tear down will end on May 5, 2024, at 11 p.m. The organizers expect 50,000 spectators over three days. KCPD and KCFD will be on site. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event

Resolution #32428 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with One World, LLC

On a motion by Commissioner Taylor, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with One World, LLC and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The Water Lantern Festival, presented by One World, LLC, brings together individuals from all ages, backgrounds and walks of life to join in one emotional and memorable night. Entry into the festival is free.

The festival will include food, beverage, and merchandise vendors. There will be music for all to enjoy, and at sunset participants will have the opportunity to purchase a flameless, LED-lit, floating lantern, decorate it and place it on Brush Creek in Wheeler Amphitheater. This tour hopes to give Kansas Citians an incredible experience.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will be compensated \$1,500 for this one-day event. Set-up for the festival will begin at 6 a.m. and tear down will end at 11:59 p.m. on May 18, 2024. The festival hours are from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.

p.m. There will be a lane closure on Oak Street during this event. KCPD and KCFD will be on site. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event.
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event.

Resolution #32439 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with Café Ca Phe

On a motion by Commissioner Taylor, duly seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Board approved the Agreement with Café Ca Phe and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The AANHPI identity for AAPI Heritage Month event is a celebration of Asian American and Pacific Islander Month. The AANHPI identity for AAPI Heritage Month event is a free, all-day event in Columbus Square Park.

Café Ca Phe wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concessions Agreement for the use of Columbus Square Park located at Missouri Av & Holmes St. to hold the AANHPI identity for AAPI Heritage Month event on May 11, 2024. The event will include speakers, traditional dancers, vendors, performers, and food truck vendors. They are expecting 1,000 participants.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation department will receive \$1,000.00 for this one-day event. Set-up for the event will begin at 7:30 a.m. and tear down will be at 5 p.m. on May 11, 2024. The festival hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Security will be on site. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event.
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event.

Resolution #32440 – Facility Use without Concession Agreement with The KC Night Market

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Taylor, the Board approved the Agreement with The KC Night Market and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The 4/20 Field Day – A Nostalgic Outdoor Sports event will have games and sports activities that will make donations to Men’s Mental Health. The KC Night Market group is an immersive shopping meets nightlife experience and a cultural showcase of some of the area’s best artisans.

The KC Night Market wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concession Agreement for the use of Gillham Park located at 3901 Gillham Rd to hold the 4/20 Field Day: A Nostalgic Outdoor Sports Event on April 20, 2024. The festival will include arts and crafts for sale, sports events, and activities, as well as food truck vendors. They are expecting approximately 400 participants throughout the day.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will be compensated \$1,000 for this one-day sales event. Set-up for the festival will begin at 8 a.m. and tear down will end at 12 a.m. on April 21, 2024. The festival hours are from 12 p.m. to 11 p.m. Security will be on site. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event.
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event.

Resolution #32441- Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with Juneteenth KC

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Taylor, the Board approved the Agreement with Juneteenth KC and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: JuneteenthKC wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concession Agreement for the use of The Great Lawn in The Parade, located at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and Truman Road, and the Gregg/Klice Community Center located at 1600 John Buck O’Neil Way to hold the 10th Annual Juneteenth, June 1 (Parade) and June 15 (Festival), 2024.

JuneteenthKC 2024 has become Kansas City’s premiere African American Heritage Celebration and tribute to Horace Peterson III, founder of the American Jazz Museum, Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, and the Black Archives Museum.

The free community festival will include a performance stage, featuring family-friendly musical acts, a kid’s zone, and food and merchandise vendors in The Great Lawn area of Parade Park from Noon to 8 pm. Many sponsors will also be on hand to address social issues within the community by providing festival patrons access to service agencies and resources. Off-duty KCMO Police will be on hand to help provide security. Places to legally park for the event will be heavily advertised to festival patrons. KC Parks will be a sponsor for this event and will not be charging for the use of The Great Lawn, Gregg/Klice Community Center. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. Listing of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Marketing plan
4. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
5. Map of event layout
6. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event
7. A plan to repair any turf or park damages associated with event
8. A written out plan with surrounding neighborhoods to address litter and parking conditions during and after the event

Resolution #32442 – Facility Use Agreement with Dennis Giangreco

On a motion by Commissioner Contreras, duly seconded by Commission Taylor the Board approved the Agreement with Dennis Giangreco and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: Dennis Giangreco has submitted an event permit request form for the 2024 First Sundays Concerts in the Park at Theis Park. The Concerts in the park will take place on the first Sundays of the month from April through September 2024. The concerts are free to the public and have a long history with KC Parks.

Mr. Giangreco wishes to enter a Use Agreement for Theis Park, to hold their First Sundays Concerts in the Park on the following dates: April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, and September 1, 2024. They anticipate around 350 attendees at each event and set-up and tear down will happen on the same day. The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will work in partnership with this event and KC Parks will be mentioned on all promotional materials. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A plan for parking control
2. Safety and security plan
3. Marketing plan
4. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
5. Map of event layout
6. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event
7. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event

Resolution #32443 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with Kids Community Growing Prosperity

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Taylor, the Board approved the Agreement with Kids Community Growing Prosperity and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: Kids Community Growing Prosperity (KCGP) is a nonprofit organization based in Kansas City. Each year, the Kansas City Greek Picnic attracts a diverse audience of collegiate and graduate members of African American Sororities and Fraternities from the Midwest and beyond. Attendees enjoy a weekend-long festival of events and activities that entertain and serve the community. In addition to community service activities and social events, KCGP encourages networking amongst diverse professionals, health screenings and more.

KCGP wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concessions Agreement for the use of the Swope Park Bandstand, located at 4177 Pavilion Road, to hold their Annual Kansas City Greek Festival, on June 22, 2024. The festival will include food, beverage, and merchandise vendors. They are expecting 750 participants over the course of this one-day event.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will be compensated \$1650.00 for this one-day event. Set-up for the festival will begin at 8 a.m. on June 19 and tear down will end at 12 p.m. on June 23, 2024. Clean-up volunteers and security will be on site. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements

6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event.
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event.

Resolution #32444 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with the Caribbean American Association of Greater Kansas City & Authentic Caribbean Foundation Inc.

On a motion by Commissioner Contreras, duly seconded by Commissioner Taylor, the Board approved the Agreement with the Caribbean American Association of Greater Kansas City & Authentic Caribbean Foundation Inc. and authorized the Director or his designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The Caribbean American Association of Greater Kansas City & Authentic Caribbean Foundation Inc. is a not-for-profit organization geared towards transforming the lives of the Caribbean children impacted by disabilities, HIV/AIDS, and their caregivers, through health and educational support. The Caribbean American Cultural Extravaganza event will be a celebration of National Caribbean American Heritage Month, Culture and Community for our city. This event will include music, food, and arts & crafts.

The Caribbean American Association of Greater Kansas City & Authentic Caribbean Foundation Inc. wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concession Agreement for the use of Washington Square Park located at 100 E. Pershing Rd, to hold the Caribbean American Cultural Extravaganza on June 7, 2024. They are expecting approximately 500 participants throughout the day.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will be compensated \$1,000 for this one-day sales event. Set-up for the festival will begin at 8 a.m. and tear down will end at 10 p.m. on June 7, 2024. The festival hours are from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Security will be on site. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event.
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event.

Resolution #32445 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with O’Neill Events/Boulevardia

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with O’Neill Events/Boulevardia and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: Boulevardia is an urban street festival celebrating the creativity and culture of a thriving, eclectic city – Kansas City. Boulevardia was created as a small country with big ambitions. Using a

“world within a city” theme, Boulevardia seeks to bring together creative people, entrepreneurs, and community leaders to develop and showcase ideas that can propel our community forward towards a brighter future.

O’Neill Events/Boulevardia wishes to enter into a Facility Use with Concession Agreement for the use of Washington Square Park located at 100 E. Pershing Road and 26th and Grand Boulevard and the street use/closure of Grand Boulevard from 26th to Ok St and Pershing from Grand to McGee to hold the Boulevardia Festival on June 14 & June 15, 2024. The festival will include bands on 4 stages, beverages, food vendors, a maker village, silent disco and more.

The Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department will be compensated \$12,600.00 for this 2-day event. Set-up for the festival will begin at 7 a.m. on June 10, 2024, and tear down will end at 5 p.m. on June 17, 2024. The festival hours are from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. June 14, 2024, and 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. June 15th, 2024. KCPD will be onsite, and they anticipate 25,000 participants. Certificate of insurance will cover all applicable requirements and be due 14 days before the first event date.

The contractor will be responsible for providing the following items:

1. A list of items for sale
2. A plan for traffic and parking control
3. Safety and security plan
4. Marketing plan
5. Certificate of insurance per city requirements
6. Map of event layout
7. Copies of other City permits required in hosting the event.
8. A written-out plan to address litter and recycling during the event.

Resolution #32446 – Facility Use without Concessions Agreement with Missouri Wolverines

On a motion by Commissioner Contreras, duly seconded by Commissioner Taylor, the Board approved the Agreement with Missouri Wolverines and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The Missouri Wolverines Youth Organization, Inc., requests the use of the football field at Heim’s Electric Park, located at 800 N. Chestnut Trfwy, for the limited purpose of youth flag and tackle football clinics, practices, games, and associated activities during the Term of this License.

The Term of this License shall start April 27, 2024, and end no later than November 15, 2024. Activities will take place Monday through Thursday from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Saturday from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

The Missouri Wolverines Youth Organization will compensate at the rate of \$20/field/day for a total projected compensation of \$3,500.00. Payment is due by May 31, 2024.

Missouri Wolverines Youth Organization will provide commercial general liability and sexual abuse molestation insurance per City’s requirements.

Resolution #32447 – Facility Use with Concessions Agreement with NickiFit, LLC

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with NickiFit, LLC and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: NickiFit, LLC is a mobile fitness business that cares and believes group exercises classes should be the best hour of any day for those who desire to be fit but have limited resources. Their business model uses community partnerships as locations for group fitness classes, targeting places in the urban core where there are barriers that prohibit the ability to exercise freely.

NickiFit, LLC is requesting the use of the gymnasium at Southeast Community Center to host a Saturday morning 90-minute cardio class that will also be live streamed. They will provide a DJ and all live streaming equipment. As part of the registration process, all participants will be required to sign a waiver. NickiFit LLC will also be responsible for the set-up and take-down of each session. The University of Missouri Kansas City is sponsoring the class and participation is free. NickiFit will pay a \$75.00/hour rental fee for an anticipated revenue of \$3,712.50.

This agreement will begin on April 13, 2024, and end on December 21, 2024.

Commercial general liability and sexual abuse/ molestation insurance will be provided per City's requirements.

Resolution #32448 – Amendment #2 with Word of Faith Church

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved Amendment #2 with Word of Faith Church and authorized the Director or designee to execute the amendment on behalf of the Board.

Background: On May 9, 2023, the Parks Board of Commissioners, through resolution #32235, approved an agreement with Word of Faith Church for permission to conduct church services in Meeting Room 1 at Southeast Community Center. The original terms of the agreement began on June 4, 2023, and would end on December 13, 2023. On December 12, 2023, Amendment #1, through Resolution #32398, extended the end date to March 30, 2024.

Amendment #2 will change the end date to June 30, 2024. The compensation terms have been revised to reflect a total payment of \$5,700.00, with payments made monthly to the community center. All other terms stated in the original agreement remain the same. Word of Faith Church will provide commercial general liability insurance per City's requirements.

Resolution #32449 – Facility Use without Concessions Agreement with the University Academy

On a motion by Commissioner Taylor, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with University Academy and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: University Academy, a pre-kindergarten through 12th grade college-preparatory charter public school, is requesting the use of facilities at Holmes Park, 6801 Holmes Road, for the purpose of conducting youth softball practices and games during the terms of this agreement. Practices will take place 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. and games will take place 3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

University Academy will compensate \$20.00 for thirty-nine (39) practice sessions and \$200.00 for five (5) games for a total projected revenue of \$1,780.00.

This agreement runs from April 1, 2024, to May 31, 2024. University Academy will provide commercial general liability and sexual abuse molestation insurance per City's requirements.

Resolution #32450 – Cooperative Agreement with the Heart of Gesneriad Society

On a motion by Commissioner Contreras, duly seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Board approved the Agreement with Heart of Gesneriad Society and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The Heart of America Gesneriad Society (HAGS), affiliated with the Gesneriad Society that is dedicated to the culture of Heart of America Gesneriad Society (HAGS). For the last 10 years they have requested the use of the Loose Park Garden Center.

They are requesting the use of the Loose Park Garden Center for monthly meetings and a Heart of America Gesneriad Society sale during the terms of this agreement. Monthly meetings will take place from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

In lieu of sales Heart of America Gesneriad Society will reimburse the city 10% of all revenue from the sale. This agreement will begin March 29, 2024, and end December 29, 2024.

The Heart of America Gesneriad Society (HAGS) will provide commercial general liability insurance per City's requirements.

Resolution #32451 – Cooperative Agreement with Sho-Me African Violet Club

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with Sho-Me African Violet Club and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The Sho-Me African Violets, affiliated African Violet Club of America that organized in 1946, is dedicated to the culture of Sho-Me African Violets. For the last 10 years they have requested the use of the Loose Park Garden Center.

They are requesting the use of the Loose Park Garden Center for monthly meetings and Sho-Me African Violet Club sale during the terms of this agreement. Monthly meetings will take place from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

In lieu of sales Sho-Me African Violet Club will reimburse the city 10% of all revenue from the sale.

This agreement will begin March 29, 2024, and end December 29, 2024. The Sho-Me African Violets will provide commercial general liability insurance per City's requirements.

Resolution #32452 – Cooperative Agreement with African Violet Club of Greater Kansas City

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved the Agreement with African Violet Club of Greater Kansas City and authorized the Director or designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

Background: The African Violet Club of Greater Kansas City (AFCGKC), affiliated with African Violet Society of America that organized in 1946, is dedicated to the culture of African violets. For the last 10 years they have requested the use of the Loose Park Garden Center.

They are requesting the use of the Loose Park Garden Center for monthly meetings and an African violet sale during the terms of this agreement. Monthly meetings will take place from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

In lieu of rental the AFCGKC will reimburse the City 10% of all revenue from the sale.

This agreement will begin March 29, 2024, and end December 29, 2024. The African Violet Club of Greater Kansas City will provide commercial general liability insurance per City's requirements.

Resolution #32453 – Amendment #1 with Olsson Studio – Brush Creek Cultural Heritage Trail

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved Amendment #1 with Olsson Studio for the Brush Creek Cultural Heritage Trail in the amount of \$22,000, extended the contract time to December 1, 2024 and authorized the Director or designee to execute the amendment on behalf of the Board.

Background: Brush Creek Cultural Heritage Corridor Project includes developing interpretive nodes along Brush Creek that highlight key events of the Civil rights journey both locally and nationally through art and interpretation. The project area is between The Paseo and Cleveland Ave. along the Brush Creek Corridor. This project will be funded in part by a grant from the Kauffman Foundation and in the amount of \$1,000,000.

On September 13, 2022, the Park Board approved entering into an agreement with Olsson Studio with CREO established project goals at 16% MBE and 16% WBE. The Olsson Studio team submitted goals at 23% MBE and 18% WBE. The agreement amount for this work is \$453,622.50.

This Amendment #1 is for additional scope and fee for Olsson Studio's work on the Brush Creek Cultural Heritage Trail project. The additional scope includes Preliminary Site and Lighting Plans for twelve (12) plaza and sign locations. The amendment amount is \$22,000.00 and the new contract total will be \$475,622.50. Funds for the project are available in account number 3091-705802-611040-70225030. All the work is planned to be completed by December 1, 2024.

Resolution #32454 – Amendment #2 with Water Resources Solutions, LLC – SLBE Design Professional – Buckeye Greenway Pedestrian Improvements

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded by Commissioner Contreras, the Board approved Amendment #2 with Water Resources, Solutions, LLC for the Buckeye Greenway Pedestrian Improvement project in the amount of \$36,370.00 and authorized the Director or designee to execute the amendment on behalf of the Board.

Background: Buckeye Greenway was acquired in 1957 and contains 72 acres. The Park runs from MO 210 Highway and N. Brighton to N.E. 37th Street. The project location is in the northern portion of the greenway. An existing pedestrian bridge was already in place for the eastern crossing of Buckeye Creek. This older bridge is in danger of being washed away from the seasonal flooding in the creek. The older bridge is also out of ADA compliance.

An RFQP was advertised on February 25, 2021, to design a replacement pedestrian bridge that is out of the flood plain and will meet ADA regulations. On March 19, 2021, two proposals were received and Water Resources Solutions, LLC (WRS) was recommended for this project. The pedestrian bridge design is complete, and the bridge construction project is anticipated to start construction in Spring 2024.

On September 14, 2021, the Park Board approved an agreement with WRS, LLC for the scope of work that included designing a new pedestrian bridge and related work for the amount of \$114,295.00. On May 10, 2022, the Park Board approved Amendment #1 for additional design work for a trail system for the entire park in the amount of \$22,548.00 which changed the agreement total to \$136,843.00.

Amendment #2 in the amount of \$36,670.00 will add construction observation and submittal review services for the pedestrian bridge construction, as well as geotechnical investigation services to prepare a report that includes boring locations, logs, and laboratory results to be included in the trail construction documents. It will extend the agreement time to December 31, 2024 and will bring the total contract amount to \$173,513.00. Funds for Amendment #2 are available in Developer Allotment Fund 6940-702800-C090A.

The Human Relations Department has determined that this project is to be a Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) project. WRS is an SLBE design firm.

Rename Request from Street Naming Committee to rename Grand Boulevard from E. 2nd Street to Heart of America Bridge to “Berkley Parkway”.

Background: The Street Naming Committee is seeking to change the street name of Grand Boulevard to Berkley Parkway on the viaduct street from E 2nd Street to the Heart of America Bridge.

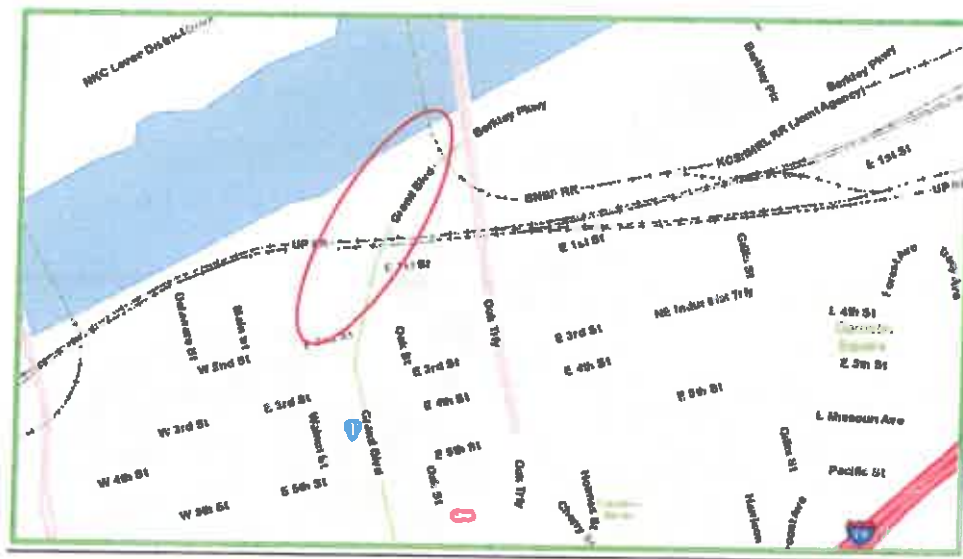
With recent developments in the Berkley Riverfront area, multiple street names are being reviewed and evaluated for their consistency with the Street Naming and Addressing Manual.

Grand Boulevard, from Main Street to the Heart of America Bridge, is under the jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Department. This request is to rename a portion of Grand Boulevard from E 2nd Street to the Heart of America Bridge to Berkley Parkway. This portion of Grand Boulevard will

remain under the jurisdiction of the Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners after it is renamed "Berkley Parkway".

This change would be more consistent for the Berkley Riverfront area and clean up the street names for the new developments to be constructed in the near future.

Pursuant to the renaming/naming policy, staff will recommend at the April 30, 2024 Board Meeting to move forward with the renaming of Grand Boulevard from E 2nd Street to Heart of America Bridge to "Berkley Parkway".



Public Hearing:

Minister Gregg Wilson with the Center for Neighborhoods came before the Board. Mr. Minister Wilson asked Director Cotten how far along is the Blues Park Project. Mr. Cotten responded 95% complete, the project will bid soon. Minister Wilson asked if he could forward the plans over to him at cfn.umkc.edu. Minister Wilson mentioned they are working on the Woods Project, with Heartland Conservation. This project was done by UMKC Students. Minister Wilson mentioned that the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Center for Neighborhoods is working on a new project which consists basically of the parks that are in the QLID district. Minister Wilson also mentioned that they have received Environmental Justice money. Commissioners thanked Minister Wilson for attending the Board Meeting and sharing the information. Can't do it without dedicated people like you and looking forward to working with you in the future.

Kathryn Persley came before the Board. Ms. Persley mentioned that she lives in the Dunbar Neighborhood, we have 2 parks in the neighborhood and have the only park named after an African American Woman which is Yvonne Starks Wilson Park. Senator Wilson birthday is on Friday, and will be a celebration on Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 11 a.m. at the Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center. Chicken and waffles will be served. This is a partnership with Friends of Bruce R. Watkins

Cultural Heritage Center. Ms. Persley invited the Board Members to attend. We will also be talking about the park. We know that in 2022 money was approved for Parks, part of that funding has now been allocated for Wilson Park, but we know that it's not nearly enough for us to execute all the work that needs to be done. One of the other things that we are planning to do is to have a private fundraising campaign, so that we can supplement the money that has been allocated. Community Capital Fund is going to serve as our Fund Manager. The goal in the next 12 months is to raise at least \$500,000. We already have some community leaders already on board and are making contributions. Ms. Persley mentioned that during the planning that they found out that the late Commissioner Mary Williams-Neal and Senator Wilson shared the same birthday and one of her daughters will be there. The Board thanked Ms. Persley for keeping their legacy alive.

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded the Board unanimously approved by roll call vote to enter into a Closed Session to discuss real estate and legal matters.

On a motion by Commissioner Smith, duly seconded the Board unanimously approved by roll call vote to leave Closed Session and enter back into an open meeting.

Board Meeting adjourned.



Beth Haden, President

Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners



Karmen Houston, Board Secretary