



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 10, 2024

TITLE:

Consider and act on Resolution R-2024-118 approving an agreement between the Bastrop Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) and Hunden Partners in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for a feasibility study for a sports complex in the Bastrop Business and Industrial Park.

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, BEDC Interim Executive Director and City Manager

BACKGROUND/HISTORY:

The Bastrop Economic Development Corporation, in partnership with the City of Bastrop, is considering building a sports complex on around 80 acres within the Bastrop Business and Industrial Park. The BEDC has hired Katherine Caffrey from NAVIS Consulting to provide senior-level project management experience to oversee a feasibility study. After reviewing five proposals and interviewing six potential firms, Ms. Caffrey recommends that the BEDC hire Hunden Partners to conduct the feasibility study.

Hunden Partners has conducted over 100 feasibility studies for destination sports in the United States, with extensive experience in Texas. Hunden specializes in sports tourism facilities and mixed-use/placemaking development, and will provide a comprehensive assessment that considers both the sports aspect and the overall project potential.

At the board meeting on August 26, 2024, the BEDC Board of Directors voted unanimously to recommend approval of the contract, which now requires City Council approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The \$60,000 will be taken from the BEDC's Professional Services line item included in the BEDC's FY 2024 and 2025 budgets.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of Resolution No. R-2024-118 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, approving an agreement between the Bastrop Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) and Hunden Partners in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for a feasibility study for a sports complex in the Bastrop Business and Industrial Park.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Resolution R-2024-118
2. Hunden Partners Proposal