

RESOLUTION NO. 46-23

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMDEN, ARKANSAS
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A PARKS AND TOURISM GRANT;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City of Camden, Arkansas seeks to improve the recreation facilities and wishes to seek grant funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain the funds necessary to develop an inclusive playscape at Carnes Park, it is necessary to obtain a 50/50 Outdoor Recreation Matching Grant from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism; and

WHEREAS, the plans for such recreation areas have been prepared and the price therefore has been established; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated project cost is \$500,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Camden Advertising and Promotion Commission pledged to pay the City's one-half share of the grant; and

WHEREAS, this governing body understands the grantee and grantor will enter into a binding agreement which obligates both parties to policies and procedures contained in the Outdoor Recreation Matching Grant Application Guide, including, but not limited to the following; the park area designated by the project boundary map, submitted with the application, must remain in outdoor recreation use in perpetuity, regardless if the property is bought or developed with matching grant funds and; all future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be placed underground and; the project area must remain open and available for use by the public at all reasonable times of the day and year; facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc. but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use, and; the project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe and healthful manner; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of Camden is well aware and apprised of the above-mentioned project, and will provide the local portion of the development cost of the entire project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Camden City Council, Arkansas that the Mayor is hereby authorized to make application to the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism for assistance to develop an inclusive playground at Carnes Park for the City.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

Mayor

City Clerk