

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI BOARD OF ALDERMEN, EXPRESSING AND CONFIRMING SUPPORT OF A LOCAL TOURISM ASSET DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TO DEVELOP, RENOVATE, AND ENHANCE LOCAL TOURISM ASSETS

WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Economic Development (“DED”) has appropriated \$30 million in American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) Local Tourism Asset Development Grant Program funds statewide, with \$10 million of such funds allocated to a category of such funds for which the City may apply; and

WHEREAS, the City may request these funds through a competitive process for local priority projects to spur economic recovery and build stronger communities, with a required minimum of fifty percent (50%) cost share; and

WHEREAS, the City identifies the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce and the Uptown Revitalization Organization as its beneficiaries; and

WHEREAS, grant funding, if awarded, would help the City, through its beneficiaries, provide for the development, renovation, and enhancement of the following four local tourism assets:

1. Renovation and build-out of an existing building by the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce located at 1846 East Jackson Boulevard. Said improvements are estimated at \$150,000.

2. Construction of a new digital message board by the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce located at 1846 East Jackson Boulevard. Said improvements are estimated at \$80,000.

3. Installation of new wayfinding signs in the uptown historic district by the Uptown Jackson Revitalization Organization. Said improvements are estimated at \$150,000.

4. Upgrades to the existing fountain by the Uptown Jackson Revitalization Organization located at the Cape Girardeau County Courthouse in the uptown historic district. Said improvements are estimated at \$100,000.

WHEREAS, if program funding is awarded, the City’s beneficiaries will enter into a grant agreement with the DED as pass-through entities, committing to complete the assets as set forth in the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI, as follows, that:

Section 1 – The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to apply for up to \$250,000 in funds from the DED ARPA Local Tourism Asset Development Grant Program, with such funds to be used to develop local tourism assets.

Section 2 - This Resolution shall be submitted as soon as practical upon its passage to the State of Missouri Department of Economic Development, as an attachment to the grant application.

Section 3 - The City and its beneficiaries hereby commit to any and all follow-up actions that may be necessary to secure funding of said projects in the most timely and economical manner possible.

Section 4 - The City and its beneficiaries are committed to the projects for the period of performance.

Section 5 - The City and its beneficiaries shall be available as needed.

Section 6 - The City and its beneficiaries will not be conditioned or encumbered in any way that may preclude its use consistent with the requirements of this Program.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of December, 2022, by a vote of _____ ayes, _____ nays, _____ abstentions and _____ absent.

CITY OF JACKSON, MISSOURI

(SEAL)

BY: _____
Mayor

ATTEST

City Clerk