

## AGENDA ACTION FORM

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Agreements with BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Foundation and PlayCore Wisconsin, Inc. for the Development of BlueCross Healthy Place at Kingsport Riverwalk Park

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Chris McCartt, City Manager

Action Form No.: AF- 33-2024 Final Adoption: February 20, 2024

Work Session: February 19, 2024 Staff Work By: Kitty Frazier

First Reading: NA Presentation By: Michael T. Borders

## Recommendation:

Approve the resolution

## **Executive Summary:**

If approved the City will enter into a donation, license, and transfer agreement with BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Foundation and PlayCore Wisconsin, Inc. for the Development of BlueCross Healthy Place at Kingsport Riverwalk Park.

The BlueCross Healthy Place grant opportunity is the primary focus of the BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee Foundation. Through this initiative, they fund a variety of community assets that help neighbors live active, healthy lives. To achieve this, BlueCross Healthy Place identifies projects in need of resources and support to activate and/or reinvigorate a community.

The City of Kingsport has been selected to receive a total of \$7.8M (\$6.5M construction, \$1.3M maintenance fund) in funding for the development and maintenance of BlueCross Healthy Place at Kingsport Riverwalk Park. This park will include picnic areas, a water feature, pickleball courts, open lawn space, a kayak launch, a children's playground, additional parking, and a basketball court.

Staff are currently working with the foundation and PlayCore to determine a timeline for the project.

## Attachments:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Master Plan

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