

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KINGSPORT CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU TO MAKE AN IMPROVEMENT THROUGH THE INSTALLATION OF ARTIFICIAL TURF AT HUNTER WRIGHT STADIUM, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO THE SAME AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Kingsport Convention and Visitors Bureau (KCVB) leases Hunter Wright Stadium from city for the purpose of a wooden bat league baseball team and such other uses to which city may consent; and

WHEREAS, Boyd Sports, LLC is a sub-lessee of the facility which operates the wooden bat league team at Hunter Wright Stadium; and

WHEREAS, Boyd Sports, LLC desires to make improvements to the facility with the installation of artificial turf which KCVB is in agreement with and desires this improvement as the artificial turf would provide opportunities for additional events at the stadium; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.) of the lease between city and KCVB, improvements to the premises may be made with the consent of the city and the presentation of a proposal which details the improvement; and

WHEREAS, KCVB has requested a financial contribution from the city for this improvement in an amount not to exceed \$695,972.20 which will benefit KCVB as well as promote the comfort and prosperity of the public; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated 6-54-111, city is authorized to appropriate funds for the financial aid of any nonprofit charitable organization, such as KCVB, so long as the funds are used to promote the general welfare of the residents of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a financial appropriation to the Greater Kingsport Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for its Kingsport Convention and Visitors Bureau to facilitate improvements to Hunter Wright Stadium will promote the general welfare of the residents of city.

Now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. That the board incorporates herein by reference and adopts the findings set forth above.

SECTION II. That the board authorizes the improvement of Hunter Wright Stadium through the installation of artificial turf.

SECTION III. That the mayor, or in his absence, incapacity, or failure to act, the vice-mayor, is authorized and directed to execute, in a form approved by the city attorney and subject

to the requirements of Article X, Section 10 of the Charter of the City of Kingsport, an agreement with The Greater Kingsport Chamber of Commerce for its Kingsport Convention and Visitors Bureau for a financial contribution in a total amount not to exceed \$695,927.50 to deliver the agreement and take any and all action as may be required on the part of the city to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the transactions contemplated by the agreement and this resolution.

SECTION IV. That the board finds that the actions authorized by this resolution are for a public purpose and will promote the health, comfort, and prosperity of the public.

SECTION VII. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

ADOPTED this the 20th day of June, 2023.

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PATRICK W. SHULL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ANGELA MARSHALL, DEPUTY CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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RODNEY B. ROWLETT, III, CITY ATTORNEY