

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE A TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION LOCAL PARKS AND RECREATION FUND GRANT

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's Recreation Resources division administers federal and state recreational grant programs available to local governments; and

WHEREAS, one such grant offered is through the Local Parks and Recreation Fund (LPRF) which provides eligible local government entities funding for the purchase of land, development of trails, and capital projects in parks, natural areas and greenways; and

WHEREAS, the city deems it beneficial to apply for a LPRF grant and if awarded utilize the funds for enhancements at Bays Mountain Park including nature center improvements and a new otter habitat as well as enhancements at Brickyard Park such as to expand the parking lot at the pump track, new bike trails and access paths; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the grant funds which can be awarded is \$5,800,000.00 and requires a 50/50 match; and

WHEREAS, the matching requirement can be satisfied through funds currently allocated to projects through donations as well as the funds city has allocated for the otter habitat and exhibits project.

Now therefore,

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

SECTION I. That the board authorizes the filing of an application for a LPRF grant.

SECTION II. That the mayor, or in his absence, incapacity, or failure to act, the vice mayor, is authorized 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, all documents necessary and proper to apply for and receive Local Parks and Recreation Fund Grant from the State of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation in the amount of \$5,800,000.00 which requires a 50/50 local match as well as all other documents necessary and proper to apply for the grant and to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

SECTION III. That the mayor is authorized to execute, in a form approved by the city attorney, any and all documents including those necessary and proper to demonstrate the city's compliance with the grant requirements or its provisions necessary to effectuate the purpose of the grant or 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 V. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the public welfare requiring it.

ADOPTED this the 7th day of May, 2024.

PATRICK W. SHULL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ANGELA MARSHALL, DEPUTY CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RODNEY B. ROWLETT, III, CITY ATTORNEY