



AGENDA ACTION FORM

Consideration of a Resolution to Donate Funds to the K-Play Sports Council Inc. for a Waterline Relocation at Riverwalk Park

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Chris McCartt, City Manager *CM*

Action Form No.: AF-267-2025

Work Session: October 6th, 2025

First Reading: N/A

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Strategic Focus Area: 3. Exceptional Cultural & Recreational Opportunities

Recommendation:

Approve the Resolution.

Executive Summary:

If approved, the City will donate \$37,750 to the K-Play Sports Council Inc. for the purpose of relocating a waterline at the construction site of the new Riverwalk Park, an amount equal to the expense incurred by BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee (BCBS) under the BlueCross Healthy Places program.

On February 20th the Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved a donation, license, and transfer agreement with BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee and PlayCore Wisconsin, Inc. for the development of Riverwalk Park located adjacent to Netherland Inn Road and Industry Drive. The total grant is \$7.8m with \$6.5m allocated to the construction project and \$1.3m allocated to maintenance funds.

During construction of Riverwalk Park, a critical waterline relocation was identified as an unforeseen requirement not covered by the BlueCross BlueShield grant funding. This relocation is **potentially necessary** to advance the project and ensure proper utility infrastructure at the site. Barge Design Solutions is currently evaluating alternative solutions. This Resolution will give the City authority to donate the necessary funds if it is determined necessary.

BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee has agreed to fund the waterline relocation upfront from maintenance funds set aside for Riverwalk Park and held by the East Tennessee Foundation. The Mayor will sign and submit a damage report form to BCBS, requesting the distribution of funds from this account. In turn, the City's donation to K-Play Sports Council Inc. will reimburse the East Tennessee Foundation the expense in alignment with the established BlueCross Healthy Places funding framework. This approach ensures the project continues on schedule without additional financial burden to BlueCross BlueShield or time delays.

The project is expected to be completed in the first half of 2026.

Funding is available in 135-1015-405.90-03.

Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Damage Report Form

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Cooper	—	—	—
Duncan	—	—	—
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Mayes	—	—	—
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