

Res. No. <u>70</u> - 23 - 24. By Alderpersons Mitchell and Filicky-Peneski. June 19, 2023.

A RESOLUTION authorizing the appropriate City officials to enter into contract with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation for the purpose of receiving financial assistance through the 2023 Vibrant Spaces Grant to be used in revitalizing and energizing the Uptown Parklet in partnership with neighboring businesses.

WHEREAS, the City of Sheboygan recognizes that public reinvestment in its business corridors is an important part of community development; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required to carry out the project; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for and was awarded \$50,000 from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation ("WEDC") to prepare the site, provide street painting and public signage, and purchase space enhancements, including a moveable stage, shade umbrellas, and planters; and

WHEREAS, the Vibrant Spaces initiative is a 1:1 matching grant program, requiring that the City invest an amount equivalent to the funds awarded in order to seek reimbursement for eligible expenses; and

WHEREAS, the rules are being suspended in order to meet the WEDC deadline of June 21, 2023 for submission of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Community Development Investment Vibrant Spaces Grant Agreement Between the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and City of Sheboygan, a copy of which is attached hereto, in order to secure funding, submit requests for reimbursement prior to the December 31, 2024 Project End Date, sign and submit required documents, and take necessary action to comply with approved award activities and complete the project.

Suspindelies

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Finance Director is hereby directed to include the associated WEDC grant, City contributions and project expenses in the 2024 budget and to bring forward a budget amendment if the project is able to be completed at an earlier time than anticipated.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the
Common Council of the City of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of
\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.
Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, City Clerk
Approved \_\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, Mayor