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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT L30107 WITH LHB ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FOR LINCOLN PARK RESTORATION FOR AN INCREASE OF \$93,259.00 AND A NEW TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$224,650.00.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the agreement with LHB Engineers & Architects (LHB) for additional engineering design services and construction administration for Lincoln Park restoration, for an increase of \$93,259.00, and a new total not to exceed \$224,650.00, payable from fund 452-030-5530-HANDHTAX-1510 (tourism & recreational projects; finance; improvements other than buildings; half & half tax projects - Lincoln Park).

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This resolution authorizes an amendment to the agreement with LHB for additional engineering design services and construction administration for restoration of historic Lincoln Park, the park at the heart of the Lincoln Park neighborhood.

The additional services will cover extra work encountered on this project from June 2021 through December 2021 and for upcoming assistance with final construction document preparation, bidding and construction administration services.

LHB's proposal and project estimation sheet for this amendment are attached to Exhibit A.

The estimated \$2.5 million Lincoln Park restoration project is expected to go to bid in March for construction later this year. Consistent with the Lincoln Park mini-master plan approved by the City Council in 2016, the project is expected to include restoration of the stone pavilion, relocation, expansion and reconfiguration of the playground and picnic area, vegetation restoration and landscaping, stormwater filtration, enhancement of a ballfield and sport court, new and improved parking, and improved walkway circulation and lighting.

It is anticipated that more than two thirds of the project cost will be funded by state, federal, and private grants. Most of the remainder will be funded by proceeds from a one-half of one percent increment in City tourism taxes that may only be used for capital improvements to public facilities in the St. Louis River Corridor that support outdoor recreation and tourism.

Construction of the project has been substantially delayed by regulatory review of the anticipated impacts of the project on culturally significant resources within the park. The project design has since been adapted to avoid an adverse impact on historically significant Lincoln Park Drive. The regulatory review process is expected to come to a formal close in March to permit construction to proceed. Before the project goes to construction, Council will be asked to review and approve an inter-agency agreement articulating the commitments of state, federal, tribal, and local partners to protect cultural resources in the park.