

ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FORD, POWELL & CARSON ARCHITECTS & PLANNERS, INC. TO PRODUCE A RECONCILED PLAN AND PROJECT INVENTORY FOR BRACKENRIDGE PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000. FUNDING IS FROM THE MIDTOWN TIRZ. THERE IS NO ANTICIPATED IMPACT TO THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND.

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio's historic preservation program is designed to preserve, protect, and enhance historically, culturally, architecturally, and archaeologically significant sites and structures which impart a distinct aspect to the City of San Antonio ("City") and serve as visible reminders of the City's culture and heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Brackenridge Park is one of San Antonio's oldest and most historic parks, is on the National Register of Historic Places, and is a Texas State Antiquities Landmark; and,

WHEREAS, over the years the Brackenridge Park has grown, and many popular destinations have been added within its boundaries including the San Antonio Zoo, the Witte Museum, the Japanese Tea Gardens, the First Tee, and the Sunken Garden Theater; and,

WHEREAS, Brackenridge Park also has many picnicking areas, pavilions, a miniature train ride, and other facilities that have been popular for family enjoyment for generations; and

WHEREAS, the combined annual visitation to Brackenridge Park and its destinations exceeds 1.5 million visitors a year. Brackenridge Park is; and

WHEREAS, Over the past several years, plans have been completed identifying improvements and projects for Brackenridge Park.

WHEREAS, the existing plans for Brackenridge Park share many overlapping components that require reconciliation and consolidation into a comprehensive, community supported inventory of projects that can be prioritized and phased into a holistic action plan for park improvements; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the City properly addresses the opportunities and issues relating to the operation of Brackenridge Park, the Office of Historic Preservation will hire a consultant for the approximately \$150,000.00 to reconcile the Brackenridge Park Master Plan, the Brackenridge Park Conservancy Cultural Landscape Plan, and other plans related to Brackenridge Park and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2023, City Council approved funding for this project through the Midtown TIRZ;

WHEREAS, after evaluation, a committee comprising representatives from the City Manager's Office and Office of Historic Preservation, Parks and Recreation Department, Brackenridge Park Conservancy and The Nature Conservancy, selected Powell & Carson Architects & Planners, Inc. to produce a Reconciled Plan and Project Inventory for Brackenridge Park; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or designee or the Director of the City's Office of Historic Preservation or designee is authorized to execute a Professional Services Agreement for Brackenridge Park Reconciled Project Inventory Services with Ford, Powell & Carson Architects & Planners, Inc. for a term set to commence on October 1, 2023 and terminate upon completion of the Reconciled Project Inventory or on September 30, 2024, whichever occurs sooner. A copy of the Professional Services Agreement for Brackenridge Park Reconciled Project Inventory Services in substantial final form are attached and incorporated in this Ordinance for all purposes as Attachment I.

SECTION 2. This ordinance authorizes a Professional Service Agreement with Ford, Powell & Carson Architects & Planners, Inc to produce a Reconciled Plan and Project Inventory for Brackenridge Park in the amount in the amount of \$150,000.00. Funding is available from the Midtown TIRZ, authorized by Ordinance No. 23-191086. There is no anticipated impact to the City's General Fund.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 31st day of August, 2023.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney