

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DENTON RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE – FOREST SERVICE URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 FOR PLANTING OF TREES, REMOVAL OF INVASIVE CHINESE PRIVET, RESTORING NATIVE HABITAT, AND EDUCATION TO THE PUBLIC OF THESE ACTIVITIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued a call for projects in April 2023 for communities to apply for funding assistance through the Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Program; and

WHEREAS, Program funds may be used for expanding urban tree canopy cover, maintaining, and monitoring of invasive plant species, paid on-the-job training opportunities, and engagement of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Program requires a dollar-for-dollar local match, comprised of cash and/or in-kind contributions, if eligible. The City would be responsible for all non-reimbursable costs and 100% of overruns, if any, for Program funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Denton is eligible to apply for the funds under the application criteria; and

WHEREAS, grant applications were due on June 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City developed the necessary application materials and made application to the USDA - Forestry Service Urban and Community Forestry Program; NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENTON HEREBY RESOLVES:

SECTION 1. The application for the USDA Forestry Service Urban and Community Forestry Program is hereby ratified.

SECTION 2. The City Manager, or designee, is designated, delegated, and authorized to request grant funding under the USDA Forestry Service Urban and Community Forestry Program, including the submission of USDA's application, and act on behalf of the City of Denton in all matters related to the grant application, receipt of funds, and any subsequent grant contracts, agreements and grant projects that may result.

SECTION 3. Should the project be funded, then the City of Denton shall comply with the requirements of the USDA and the Forestry Service.

SECTION 4. The City of Denton is willing and able to enter into an agreement with USDA should the project be selected for funding.

SECTION 5. The project funds and any project-funded equipment and facilities will be used solely for the purposes for which they are intended under the grant.

SECTION 6. This resolution is effective immediately upon its passage.

The motion to approve this resolution was made by _____ and seconded by _____, the resolution was passed and approved by the following vote [____ - ____]:

| | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
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| Mayor Gerard Hudspeth: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Vicki Byrd, District 1: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Brian Beck, District 2: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Paul Meltzer, District 3: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Joe Holland, District 4: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Brandon Chase McGee, At Large Place 5: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Chris Watts, At Large Place 6: | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

PASSED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2023.

GERARD HUDSPETH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
JESUS SALAZAR, INTERIM CITY SECRETARY

BY: _____

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
MACK REINWAND, CITY ATTORNEY



BY: _____