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WHEREAS, the City is the owner of various parcels of land; and

WHEREAS, the Trust for Public Land (TPL) is a 501 (c) organization with a mission to provide parks, trails and other forms of green spaces across the city of Dallas, with a goal in assisting the City to increase park access for the benefit of Dallas residents; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2021, the City Council authorized the acceptance of grant funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CFDA No. 21.027) to provide relief during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic by Resolution No. 21-1149; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021, the City Council authorized the final reading and adoption of the appropriation ordinance for the FY 2021-22 City of Dallas Operating, Capital, and Grant & Trust Budgets, which included the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds by Resolution No. 21-1590; and

WHEREAS, funds received through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund from the ARPA will go towards the Dallas Green Initiative to develop five parcels of City owned land into neighborhood parks; and

WHEREAS, the City and TPL desire to enter into this agreement for the purpose of providing funding for the equipment, design, and development of five parcels of City owned land, that the parties desire to develop into neighborhood parks (hereinafter individually referred to as “future park site” and collectively referred to as the “future park sites” or “Premises”); and

WHEREAS, the City authorizes TPL to undertake: (i) the preliminary design of the Premises and deliver to the City at no cost to the City; (ii) fundraising for the development of the Premises as described more fully below; and (iii) undertake community engagements and public meetings and related activities with regard to the needs, including design scope, as to each potential park site; and

WHEREAS, the mission of providing the green space and development of the Premises or future park sites for the benefit of the residents of Dallas is hereby referred to as the “Dallas Greening Initiative” or “Project”; and

WHEREAS, TPL has raised approximately \$1.25 million dollars, less its administrative cost (“TPL Contribution”) to match the Mayor’s funding initiative of \$1.25 million dollars (“City funding”) which comprises a total of \$2.5 million contribution for the Dallas Greening Initiative; and

WHEREAS, this agreement will set forth the terms and conditions of TPL’s role for this Project.

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Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the President of the Park and Recreation Board and City Manager are hereby authorized to execute a community engagement agreement with The Trust for Public Land, approved as to form by the City Attorney, for the purpose of providing funding for equipment, design and development of five parcels of City owned land, with the desire to develop each parcel into neighborhood parks, in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.00.

SECTION 2. That the key terms of the agreement are included in **Exhibit A** attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes.

SECTION 3. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000.00 to The Trust for Public Land from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, Fund FC18, Department PKR, Unit A152, PKARPA152, Activity NEPK, Object 4599, Encumbrance/Contract No. PKR-2024-00024075, Vendor VS0000009624.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.