

June 14, 2023

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dallas owns land in Dallas known as Reverchon Park, located at 3505 Maple Avenue, which has been maintained by the City as parkland; and

**WHEREAS**, a portion of Reverchon Park has been identified by Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children (Scottish Rite) for access and construction staging by Scottish Rite for the construction of an addition to the hospital adjacent to the park, totaling approximately 41,500 square feet (0.95 acres) of land as shown on **Exhibit A**, and the Park and Recreation Board is agreeable to providing the property for this use; and

**WHEREAS**, Scottish Rite is agreeable to minimizing its use of the park during construction and restoring the park to its prior condition or better after completion of its project; and

**WHEREAS**, in consideration of the grant of a six-month Temporary License Agreement, Scottish Rite agrees, in addition to restoration of the park at the completion of its project, to construct a grass permeable paver access road to the upper meadow which is needed for staff access to this area of the park for general maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, Chapter 26 (Section 26.001 through 26.004 ), requires that before a municipality may approve any program or project that requires the use or taking of any public land designated and used as parkland, the governing body of such public municipality must determine that there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use or taking of such land, and that the program or project includes all reasonable planning to minimize harm to the remainder of the park; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to making this determination, notice must be given, and a public hearing be held, relative to the proposed change of park use; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to give notice and hold such hearing in accordance with the law with respect to the utilization of Reverchon Park.

**Now, Therefore,**

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

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**SECTION 1.** That the Park and Recreation Department is hereby authorized and directed to advertise in writing of the above-mentioned proposed use of the park property by delivering a notice for publishing to the official newspaper to be advertised once each week for three consecutive weeks, the last publication to be not less than one week nor more than two weeks before the date of the hearing, which shall be held in the City Council Chambers on August 9, 2023.

**SECTION 2.** That the approval of the above-mentioned project by the City Council, at the close of said hearing, shall be construed as making the proper findings as to the use, taking and conveyance of parkland, consistent with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code and the Texas Local Government Code.

**SECTION 3.** 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.