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WHEREAS, the City of Dallas owns land in Dallas know as Forest Cliff Park, located at 5100 Duncanville Road, which has been maintained by the City as parkland; and

WHEREAS, a portion of Forest Cliff Park has been identified by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) as necessary for the construction of a warning siren system for the public benefit, and OEM must acquire approximately 50 square feet of land for such improvements, as shown on Exhibit A, and the Park and Recreation Board is agreeable to providing the property for this use; and

WHEREAS, OEM is agreeable to relocating the warning system at any time, and for any reason, including complete removal of the warning system from the park, at the request of the Director of the Park and Recreation Department; 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 Forest Cliff Park.

Now, Therefore,

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

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 December 14, 2022.

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.

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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.