RESOLUTION NO. _________

A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, TO UTILIZE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY APPLICATIONS, AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS FOR ITS ADMINISTRATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, (City) acknowledges that 2018 Grant Funds are available from the Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism’s Outdoor Recreation Grants Program; and,

WHEREAS, the City further acknowledges that Funds are available for this grant project on a “dollar for dollar” match for basis; and,

WHEREAS, the City Manager is authorized to apply for a grant in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00) to renovate four (4) City Parks; and,

WHEREAS, matching funds in the amount Thirty-Four Thousand, Five Hundred Fourteen and 66/100 Dollars ($34,514.66) will come from the 2017 Undesignated Grant Match Accounting Unit 108129 Activity S10G001, and the remaining Two Hundred Fifteen Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty-Five and 34/100 Dollars ($215,485.34) matching funds will be available from the 2018 Grant Match Accounting Unit _____ Activity _______;

WHEREAS, in May and June 2018, the City held four (4) public hearings, with three (3) of the meetings held to gather input from groups, including seniors and minorities to select participating parks for renovation; and,

WHEREAS, the grant project will renovate playgrounds, related amenities, and ADA compliance in four (4) parks, Reservoir, Ottenheimer, Kanis, and Hanger Hill; and,

WHEREAS, facilities can be reserved for special events, e.g., a multi-day music festival; however, they cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for any exclusive use; and,

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded, the City will be required (via an Easement) to permanently maintain the parks and if any park is ever abandoned or moved to another location, then the City will be responsible for the costs of establishing a similar park; and all present and future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be routed away or placed underground; the project areas must remain open and available for use by public at all reasonable times of the day and year.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY
OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock states its desire to participate in the use of
grant funding in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Manager and any other necessary City employees are hereby authorized
and directed to execute any and all appropriate applications, agreements and contracts necessary to expedite
the construction and renovation of the above stated project.

Section 3. The Board of Directors authorize the City Manager to apply for, and the Arkansas
Department of Parks and Tourism to initiate action to implement this project.

Section 4. Funding for the match portion of the project is available in the amount of Thirty-Four
Thousand, Five Hundred Fourteen and 66/100 Dollars ($34,514.66) from the 2017 Undesignated Grant
Match Accounting Unit 108129 Activity S10G001 and the remaining Two Hundred Fifteen Thousand,
Four Hundred Eighty-Five and 34/100 Dollars ($215,485.34) will be available from the 2018 Grant Match
Accounting Unit _________ Activity _____________.

Section 5. Severability. In the event any title, subtitle, section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph,
subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or work of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid
or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution
which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or
unconstitutional was not originally a part of this resolution.

Section 6. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent
with the provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

ADOPTED: August 7, 2018

ATTEST:  

APPROVED:  

_____________________________________  ______________________________________
Susan Langley, City Clerk    Mark Stodola, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney