

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 11/08/22

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-0930

LOG NAME: 19STOP SIX HUB DONATIONS ADDITIONAL

SUBJECT

(CD 5) Authorize Acceptance of \$50,000.00 From the Amon G. Carter Foundation for The Hub, a Proposed New Multipurpose Community Center To Be Located In The 5100 Block of Avenue G in the Stop Six Neighborhood, Amend the Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize acceptance of \$50,000.00 from the Amon G. Carter Foundation for The Hub, a new community center, early learning center, and aquatics center to be developed in the 5100 Block of Avenue G in the Stop Six Neighborhood, increasing the foundation's total donation to \$375,000.00 and total donations to \$927,500.00;
 2. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Special Donations Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00, from available funds, for the purpose of funding the Stop Six Hub Community Center (City Project No. 103855); and
 3. Amend the Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program
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DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to accept and appropriate \$50,000.00 in private contributions from the Amon G. Carter Foundation to fund the architecture and design fees and services for Stop Six Hub Community Center, "The Hub" (community center, early learning center, and aquatics center) planned for the Stop Six Neighborhood.

In January 2022, the City accepted funding in the amount of \$877,500.00 from the Sid Richardson Foundation, the Amon G. Carter Foundation, the Rainwater Foundation and Affiliated Bank (M&C 22-0019), including \$325,000.00 from The Amon Carter Foundation. In February 2022, The Amon G. Carter Foundation notified the City that an additional donation of \$50,000.00 was pledged to fund early design of The Hub, which would increase the total donations received by all funders to \$927,500.00 and increasing the total Amon G. Carter Foundation donation to \$375,000.00. The additional funds will be added to the funding for The Hub, City Project 103855, for the development of Architecture and Design plans (master planning, programing and schematic design).

The Hub is a proposed new community center complex to be located in the Stop Six Community that will include a traditional community center operated by the Neighborhood Services Department; an early learning facility operated by Child Care Associates; and a new aquatics center operated by the Park & Recreation Department. Voters approved funding to build The Hub as part of the 2022 City Bond Election, and the early learning center is funded using an allocation of \$5,000,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds by the City of Fort Worth to Child Care Associates (M&C 21-0814). Fort Worth Housing Solutions and the City of Fort Worth solicited fundraising for architecture and design for the HUB starting in 2020 so that conceptual design could be commenced prior to the Bond election.

Early work on the HUB began in Fall 2021 with an Request For Qualifications process and the selection of Harrison Kornberg Architects, LLC as the selected design and architecture firm. The Property Management Department engaged with Harrison Kornberg Architects, LLC for early design professional services in March, 2022 using the donated funds to pay for the services.

An M&C for full project design services related to the approved FY 2022 City Bond Program will be forthcoming.

Funding for this project was not included in the FY2023-2027 Capital Improvement Program because the fundraising for conceptual design was conducted in collaboration with Fort Worth Housing Solutions and the total amount fundraised was unknown until the capital campaign was finalized.

The Hub is located in Council District 5.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be deposited to and available in the General Capital Projects Fund as appropriated. The Neighborhood Services Department and Property Management Department (and Financial Management Services) is responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City. Prior to

expenditures being incurred, the Neighborhood Services Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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