City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 09/30/25 **M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 25-0949

LOG NAME: 80EVANS PLAZA

SUBJECT

(CD 8) Authorize Execution of an Engineering Agreement with LandDesign, Inc. in the Amount of \$193,300.00 for Evans Plaza Improvements Project

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Authorize execution of an Engineering Agreement with LandDesign, Inc. in the amount of \$193,300.00 for Evans Plaza Improvements Project (City Project No. 104508); and
- 2. Amend the Fiscal Years 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program.

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize an engineering agreement with LandDesign, Inc. (LandDesign) in the amount of \$193,300.00 for Evans Plaza Improvements Project (City Project No. 104508).

Evans Plaza is a 0.79-acre neighborhood park located at the 1000 block of Evans Avenue and the 800 block of Missouri Avenue. It is situated in the Historic Southside and the Evans & Rosedale Urban Village, just south of downtown Fort Worth. The City has invested over \$30 million in the area's infrastructure, redevelopment, and planning efforts since the 1990s.

In August 2024, the City announced that Royal Capital would be the master developer of the Evans & Rosedale redevelopment project. The Milwaukee-based company was selected from eleven proposals, reviewed by a committee composed of City staff and representatives from the Historic Southside Neighborhood Association.

The intent of this project is to revitalize Evans Plaza by creating a walkable, urban neighborhood park for residents of the Evans & Rosedale neighborhood and the surrounding Historic Southside as part of the overall redevelopment goals. The park will host a variety of programs including but not limited: providing a larger, more functional space for events and activities; showcasing art and preserving the history and spirit of the neighborhood; and ensuring the long-term preservation of the existing plaza.

The appropriations for this project were authorized on M&C 23-0461 dated June 13, 2023 as shown on the table below.

Fund Name	Authority	Amount
(30107) HUD 108 Loan Fund	M&C 23- 0461	\$739,665.94
(31001) Grants Capital Projects Federal Fund	M&C 23- 0461	\$517,930.34
Total		\$1,257,596.28

Revenue has already been received from available funds remaining and interest earned.

Evans Plaza is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 8.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the Grants Cap Projects Federal Fund, to support the approval of the above recommendations and execution of an Engineering Agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Park & Recreation Department and Neighborhood Services Department have the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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