

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF JOLIET AND THE HERITAGE CORRIDOR CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU FOR SIDEWALK CIRCULATION AND VISITOR EXPERIENCE ENHANCEMENTS AT ROUTE 66 PARK AT THE BROADWAY STREET GREENWAY

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has made grant funds available to the Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) for the purpose of celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Route 66, including attraction development along historic Route 66; and

WHEREAS, Route 66 Park at the Broadway Street Greenway in Joliet is a well-known Route 66 visitor destination for its 1950's era ice cream stand that is open seasonally at 920 Broadway Street. Visitor experience and safety at Route 66 Park at the Broadway Street Greenway suffers from a poor sidewalk network; and

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet (City) sought grant funding from the CVB through the Route 66 Grant Program to improve sidewalk circulation and visitor experience while promoting the historical significance and remaining ADA compliant; and

WHEREAS, the CVB agrees that improving the sidewalk network and other site improvements will be in the best interest of the City and its residents and will encourage and spur tourism to the City; and

WHEREAS, Costs up to \$75,000 will be provided/paid by the CVB on behalf of CITY through the Route 66 grant program to fund these improvements at the Route 66 Park at the Broadway Street Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the CITY and CVB already enjoy a close and productive working relationship for the promotion of tourism and economic development in the greater Joliet area; and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Agreement, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A" (the "MOA"), is intended to define the commitments of the City and CVB in relation to the procurement, design and installation of these improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet is a Home Rule Municipality under and by virtue of the Constitution of the State of Illinois.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Memorandum of Agreement City of Joliet and Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors Bureau is hereby approved in a form substantially similar to Exhibit A attached to and entered into on this date.

SECTION 2: The Mayor and City Council direct the City Manager to execute the attached Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the City of Joliet. The City Manager or her designee is hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary for the City to comply with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

SECTION 4: All resolutions or parts of Resolutions conflicting with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: Be it further resolved that the passage of this Resolution be inscribed permanently in the records of the proceedings of the Joliet City Council.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

VOTING YES: _____

VOTING NO:

NOT VOTING: _____