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RESOLUTION NO. 14-054

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO FUND CITY PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS REQUESTED BY RESIDENTS FOR LINCOLN PARK, MONTROSE PARK AND ROSE HILL PARK FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE PAEDC AND THE CITY TO ENGAGE A PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECT TO PROVIDE COST ESTIMATES FOR SUCH IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, a Ballot Proposition approved by the citizens of Port Arthur in May 2012 provided the Citizens, City of Port Arthur and the Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation (the "PAEDC") to use \$500,000 per year for three years with an option to renew for three additional years of 4A Economic Development Sales Tax funds for City Parks Capital Improvement Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, residents from the Westside New Addition, Concerns Citizens of Montrose and a group representing the Park located at Procter and Memorial made presentations to the PAEDC Board of Directors at its January 14, 2014 meeting requesting funding for Lincoln Park, Montrose Park and Rose Hill Park; and

**WHEREAS**, at the Board of Directors Meeting on January 14, 2014 the PAEDC Board voted to provide funding for improvements to Lincoln Park, Montrose Park and Rose Hill Park at a cost not to exceed \$350,000 based on the PAEDC securing the services of a Architect to design and provide cost estimates for the improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council deems it in the public interest to authorize the PAEDC to fund City Park Improvements requested by Residents of the City of Port Arthur for Lincoln Park, Montrose Park and Rose Hill Park at a cost not to exceed \$350,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the park is publicly owned property, that is, property owned by the City of Port Arthur; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and the PAEDC will work together to engage an Architect to provide design and cost estimates for the Improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Improvements shall be consistent with the City of Port Arthur Parks & Recreation long-range plans.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS:**

**Section 1.** That the facts and opinions in the preamble are true and correct.

**Section 2.** That the PAEDC is herein authorized to offer funding not to exceed \$350,000 for park improvements requested by Residents of Port Arthur for Lincoln Park, Montrose Park and Rose Hill Park based on the specifications and costs estimates provided by an architect which will be engaged by the PAEDC and the City of Port Arthur to provide a cost estimate to be considered and review for implementation.

**Section 3.** That a copy of the caption of this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the City Council.

**READ, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Feb A.D., 2014,  
at a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur, Texas, by the following vote:

AYES:

Mayor Prince; Mayor Pro Tem Williamson

Councilmembers Scott, Albright, Gray, Luvu  
and Freeman

NOES: None

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Deloris "Bobbie" Prince, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sherri Bell  
Sherri Bellard, City Secretary

APPROVED:

Floyd Batiste  
Floyd Batiste, PAEDC CEO

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Guy N. Goodson  
Guy N. Goodson, PAEDC Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Val Tizeno  
Valecia R. Tizeno, City Attorney