RESOLUTION NO. 2026-XX

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE DESIGNER SELECTION FOR THE ESTATOE TRAIL BOARDWALK REPLACEMENT AS PER NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUE G.S. 143-64.31

WHEREAS, the City Council of Brevard, NC has determined that it is in the best interests of the City to replace the deteriorated and failing Estatoe Trail Boardwalks with an on-grade trail; and

WHEREAS City Staff has obtained a Federal Lands Access Program Grant ("FLAP Grant")to replace the boardwalks with an on-grade section of trail; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 143-64.31 (referred to as the "Mini Brooks Act") and the FLAP Grant require the initial solicitation and evaluation of firms to perform architectural , engineering, surveying, construction management-at-risk services, and design-build services (collectively "design services") to be based on qualifications and without regard to fee; and,

WHEREAS, the City Staff has issued Request for Qualifications ("RFQs") to obtain the services of qualified designers and engineering firms for the project; and

WHEREAS, the City established a Committee consisting of Aaron Baker, Council Member; David Todd, Assistant City Manager; Paul Ray, Director of Planning and Zoning; and Wesley Shook, Director of Public Works ("The Committee") that has carefully evaluated each response to the RFQ utilizing a number of criteria as specified by the North Carolina State Construction Office rules and guidelines including such elements as qualifications, prior experience with the City of Brevard, whether the design or engineering firm represents a historically underutilized business, whether the design or engineering firm represents a local business entity, and other relevant factors; and

WHEREAS, The Committee has selected and interviewed three qualified designers or engineering firms and recommends them in priority order: WSP USA, LLC. Of Asheville, NC, Kimley Horn, of Mooresville, NC, and TGS of Shelby, NC.("Recommended Designers"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council is charged by the State of North Carolina with the authority and responsibility to approve the selection of designers and engineers for projects in the City of Brevard, NC; and

WHEREAS, The Committee recommends approval by City Council of the Recommended Designers for the Estatoe Trail Boardwalk Replacement Project.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BREVARD, NORTH CAROLINA THAT:

Section 1. City Council hereby approves the Recommended Designers.

Section 2. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to select one of the Recommended Designers in priority order, and to execute a design agreement dependent on successful negotiations, for the Estatoe Trail Boardwalk Replacement Project.

Adopted and approved this 20th day of April 2026.

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Maureen Copelof
Mayor

Attest:

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Denise Hodsdon, CMC, NCCMC
City Clerk