THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: March 22, 2022

Subject: Pool Management Contract

Staff Resource(s): D Tyrell McGirt, Director
Christy Bass, Resource Area Manager

Action Requested: Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the contract with Swim Club Management Group, Inc., of Asheville, North Carolina, for management of City aquatic facilities.

Background:

- A Request for Proposals was advertised for interested companies to operate and maintain the three (3) City of Asheville pools and Splasheville interactive fountain for (1) year with an option to renew for an additional (2) years was issued in February 2021.
- Swim Club Management Group, Inc. was awarded the contract in March 2021 based on the qualifications, understanding of the scope of services, cost, availability, and the ability to provide all labor, materials, and supplies for the operations and management of the City's aquatic facilities.
- The original contract amount had a not to exceed amount of $191,000 accounting for one season of management operations.
- The amended contract aligns the already approved terms of one year with 2 two-year renewal options with the cumulative not to exceed amount of $506,113, over the life of the contract.
- The amendment clarifies dates and times for pools and splash pad to be in operation and updates the terms and conditions in response to an increase in supply costs and staffing.
- There is a strong relationship between the City of Asheville and Swim Club Management Group, Inc.
- They were easy to work with during the 2021 operating season as there were many unknowns as to operating during COVID.

Council Goal(s):

- A Well-Planned and Livable Community

Committee(s):

- None

Pro(s):

- Contracting with a professional aquatic facilities management company for operations and maintenance ensures community pools will be operated in a safe, efficient manner and eliminate the obstacles associated with retaining an adequate number of certified staff.
- Reduces the seasonal hiring impacts on the Human Resources Department to recruit, hire and on-board temporary employees.
- Community pool operations will be operated with the adequate number of certified staff for the pool season.

Con(s):

- None

Fiscal Impact:

- There is no additional fiscal impact.
- Funds for the management contract will come from existing department funds allocated for pool operations.

Suggested Motion:

- Motion to authorize the City Manager to execute an amended contract for Swim Club Management Group, Inc for the management of city aquatic facilities for a total amount not to exceed $506,113 for the term of the contract and the authorization for the City Manager to execute change orders.

Attachment(s):

- Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 22- _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH SWIM CLUB MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC. FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF CITY AQUATIC FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the City of Asheville has authority pursuant to Article 2 of Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes to enter into contracts for services with other entities; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department awarded the management of city aquatic facilities to Swim Club Management Group, Inc in March 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into a contract with Swim Club Management Group, Inc for (1) year with the option to renew for (2) years; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 21-54 approving the original contract, only authorized $191,000, the funding for the first year of the contract, the City wishes to continue the contract for the additional two years and therefore, authorization for increased funding is required; and

WHEREAS, the project aligns with the City Council 2036 Vision in the following way: It supports a well-planned and livable community through the investment in parks and open spaces;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE THAT:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the contract for Swim Club Management Group, Inc. to allow for two optional renewals in a total contract amount not to exceed $506,113. The City Manager is further authorized to execute any other documents necessary to give effect to this resolution.

Read, approved and adopted this 22nd day of March, 2022.

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City Clerk Mayor

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney