

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
JULY 2, 2024 AGENDA**

<p>Subject:</p> <p>Authorization of a contract with Carson & Associates for the renovation of the Southwest Community Center.</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Parks & Recreation Department</p>	<p>Action Required:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Approved By:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Emily Cox Acting City Manager</p>
SYNOPSIS	A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Carson & Associates for the renovation of the Southwest Community Center.	
FISCAL IMPACT	The amount is not to exceed \$700,000.00, and funding is allocated with American Rescue Plan Act Funds, TREA Southwest Community Center, Account No. 271459-G0601AR45H.	
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the resolution.	
BACKGROUND	<p>The Southwest Community Center has years of deferred maintenance, and this project will focus on overall center improvements which neighborhood residents have requested for many years.</p> <p>Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,783 (September 6, 2022), authorized the primary intended uses of a portion of the second tranche of the City’s allotment of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds through the American Rescue Plan Act as Expenditures of Lost Revenue on Governmental Services.</p>	

**BACKGROUND
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It was the intent of the Board that funds be prioritized and expended for Parks & Community Centers at a total of \$3,000,000.00, with an express provision of \$1,000,000. 00 earmarked for baseball fields at the West Central Community Center.

The City issued Bid No. 2510, and Carson & Associates submitted the lowest responsive and reasonable bid meeting the specifications of the two (2) bids received for the project.