

# City Council Agenda Item Memo

**From:** Paul M. Briseno, City Manager

**Council Meeting:** June 25, 2024

**Subject:** Resolution 24-073: Child Care Funding Commitment

**Person(s) Responsible:** Paul M. Briseno, City Manager

## **Summary:**

The City Council desires to improve Child Care in Brookings with one-time funds. At the June 11<sup>th</sup> Study Session, the Brookings Economic Development Corporation and Child Care Collaborative requested \$580,000. The memo provides a process for distributing these funds with required reporting. Staff recommends approval.

## **Background:**

In 2022, the City Council entered into an agreement with the Brookings Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) to address childcare needs. One-time funds in the amount of \$580,000 were identified for this initiative.

At the June 11<sup>th</sup> City Council Study Session, the Brookings Child Care Collaborative presented its proposed plan. The request redistributes the city's funding to the Public Schools, the Boys & Girls Club initiative, and BEDC.

## **Item Details:**

To facilitate funding of the collaborative presented at the June 11<sup>th</sup> Study Session, the City Council will need to take action redistributing the funds as requested to the following:

- \$16,173.89 BEDC for a Child Care Feasibility Study
- \$563,826.11 to the Boys & Girls Club, and Public Schools for the Child Care Collaborative

An agreement will outline terms and metrics based on the material presented in the June 11<sup>th</sup> memo. An annual report will be required. All city policies, including the Green and ADA, must be adhered to if funds are utilized for construction or renovation.

## **Legal Consideration:**

None

## **Strategic Plan Consideration:**

The review of the Brookings City Charter aligns with the City Council's strategic area of Fiscal Responsibility, Service and Innovation Excellence, and Economic Growth.

Economic Growth – the project will increase childcare capacity and bolster workforce participation. Supporting high-quality care initiatives builds the workforce and community participation of tomorrow.

**Financial Consideration:**

Transfer \$580,000 of city funds to the Brookings Economic Development Corporation, Boys/Girls Club, and Public Schools for a feasibility study and child care collaboration.

**Options and Recommendation:**

The City Council has the following options:

1. Approve as presented
2. Amend
3. Deny
4. Move the item to a Study Session
5. Discuss / take no action / table

Staff recommends approval.

**Supporting Documentation:**

Resolution

June 11<sup>th</sup> Collaborative Study Session Memo