

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION authorizing the Director of Parks + Rec to execute a Memorandum of Understanding for conservation planning and natural area restoration in the Jackson County Parks system with Bridging the Gap, a non-profit organization, to participate in its Kansas City Wildlands program, at an actual cost to the County in the amount of \$25,000.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 21966, July 21, 2025

INTRODUCED BY Megan L. Smith, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks + Rec recommends the execution of the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Bridging the Gap, a non-profit organization based in Jackson County, to provide conservation planning and natural area restoration within the Jackson County Parks system; and,

WHEREAS, Bridging the Gap will partner with Jackson County to improve park programs, and conserve, restore, and protect natural habitats through the Kansas City Wildlands Program; and,

WHEREAS, the attached MOU further outlines, clarifies, and memorializes the responsibilities of Bridging the Gap and Jackson County; and,

WHEREAS, the attached MOU creates no employment relationship between Bridging the Gap and the County; and,

WHEREAS, the execution of the attached MOU is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Jackson County; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Director of Parks + Rec be and hereby is authorized to execute, on the behalf of the County, the attached MOU with Bridging the Gap; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Finance and Purchasing be and hereby is authorized to make all payments, including final payment, on the MOU once executed.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bryan Covinsky
Bryan Covinsky (Jul 17, 2025 13:54 CDT)
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21966 of July 21, 2025, was duly passed on _____, 2025 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas _____

Nays _____

Abstaining _____

Absent _____

Date

Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 003 1601 56789
ACCOUNT TITLE: Park Fund
Director of Parks
Outside Agency Funding
NOT TO EXCEED: \$25,000.00

07/17/2025

Date

Sylvia Stevenson
Sylvia Stevenson (Jul 17, 2025 12:22 CDT)
Chief Administrative Officer