

**RESOLUTION NO. 23- \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NAPERVILLE  
MODIFYING THE CITY'S 2023 CAPITAL GRANT TO  
CENTURY WALK CORPORATION**

**RECITALS**

1. **WHEREAS**, the City of Naperville, DuPage and Will Counties, of the State of Illinois is an Illinois municipal corporation and home rule unit of government under the laws and Constitution of the State of Illinois ("City"); and
2. **WHEREAS**, Century Walk Corporation is an Illinois not-for-profit corporation established in 1996 to create culturally significant and diverse public art throughout Naperville in the 21st Century ("Century Walk"); and
3. **WHEREAS**, Century Walk funds art installations through a combination of private and public fund raising, often including significant contributions from the City; and
4. **WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2021, the Naperville City Council directed that the City shall designate to Century Walk a Capital Grant of \$100,000 in calendar years 2022, 2023 and 2024 to assist Century Walk with financing the establishment of specific public art projects subject to certain conditions; and
5. **WHEREAS**, on August 17, 2021, the Naperville City Council directed that the City shall designate to Century Walk a Maintenance Grant \$50,000 in calendar years 2022, 2023 and 2024 to assist Century Walk with maintaining the public art; and
6. **WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2023, the Naperville City Council approved an agreement between the City and Century Walk and approved the award of a \$100,000 Capital Grant and a \$50,000 Maintenance Grant to Century Walk for Calendar Year 2023; and
7. **WHEREAS**, Century Walk has exhausted its CY 2023 \$50,000 Maintenance Grant but has not used any of its CY 2023 \$100,000 Capital Grant and Century Walk does not plan to use its CY 2023 \$100,000 Capital Grant in 2023; and
8. **WHEREAS**, there are several existing Century Walk art pieces that are in immediate need of maintenance, including, but not limited to: the Ladder of Light sculpture, the Parting the Prairie sculpture, the Way We Were mural, the Parade of the Centuries mural, the Streaming History mural, and the Naperville Loves a Parade mural; and

9. **WHEREAS**, since there are immediate maintenance needs and Century Walk's CY 2023 Maintenance Grant has been exhausted, and since Century Walk's CY 2023 Capital Grant is not going to be used; Century Walk has requested and staff recommends the Naperville City Council modify Century Walk's CY 2023 \$100,000 Capital Grant to allow up to \$50,000 to be used by Century Walk for the maintenance of existing Century Walk art pieces, including, but not limited to: the Ladder of Light sculpture, the Parting the Prairie sculpture, the Way We Were mural, the Parade of the Centuries mural, the Streaming History mural, and the Naperville Loves a Parade mural; and
10. **WHEREAS**, the City has the authority, pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois and its home rule authority, to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the City and its residents, and to act to achieve such objectives; and
11. **WHEREAS**, the City has the authority, pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois and its home rule authority, to use its credit, revenues, and other resources to pay costs and service debt related to activities which involve a public purpose; and
12. **WHEREAS**, the City has determined it is in the public interest to assist with financing public art as it will enhance the quality of life for the greater Naperville community; and
13. **WHEREAS**, the City has the authority, pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois and its home rule authority, to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the City and its residents, to prevent the spread of conditions detrimental to healthy economic development, to encourage private development in order to enhance the local tax base, to increase employment, and to enter into contractual agreements and otherwise associate with individuals, associations, and corporations in any manner not prohibited by law for the purpose of achieving such objectives; and
14. **WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the City, after due and careful consideration, have determined that it is in the public interest to modify Century Walk's CY 2023 \$100,000 Capital Grant to allow up to \$50,000 to be used by Century Walk for the maintenance of existing Century Walk art pieces, including, but not limited to: the Ladder of Light sculpture, the Parting the Prairie sculpture, the Way We Were mural, the Parade of the Centuries mural, the Streaming History mural, and the Naperville Loves a Parade mural.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPERVILLE, COUNTIES OF DUPAGE AND WILL, ILLINOIS**, in exercise of its home rule authority, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The foregoing recitals are incorporated as though fully set forth in this Section 1.

**SECTION 2:** Century Walk's CY 2023 \$100,000 Capital Grant is hereby modified to allow up to \$50,000 to be used by Century Walk for the maintenance of existing Century Walk art pieces, including, but not limited to: the Ladder of Light sculpture, the Parting the Prairie sculpture, the Way We Were mural, the Parade of the Centuries mural, the Streaming History mural, and the Naperville Loves a Parade mural.

**SECTION 3:** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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Scott A. Wehrli  
Mayor