

RESOLUTION NO. 25405

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND, IF AWARDED, ACCEPT A TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION GRANT JOINTLY WITH HAMILTON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, TO DEVELOP A VISITORS' CENTER AT ENTERPRISE SOUTH NATURE PARK, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S SHARE OF LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$125,000.00).

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WHEREAS, The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) has a limited amount of grant funds available on a statewide, competitive basis to assist with development of recreational improvements; and,

WHEREAS, Enterprise South Nature Park is in need of a visitors' center; and,

WHEREAS, TDEC requires grant applicants to provide local matching funds; and,

WHEREAS, The City of Chattanooga and Hamilton County assure local matching funds for this project in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 and agree to provide up to \$125,000.00 each toward the proposed development; and,

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to apply for and, if awarded, accept a Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Grant jointly with Hamilton County, Tennessee, to develop a visitors' center at Enterprise South Nature Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City's share of the local matching funds in connection with said Grant be and is hereby authorized in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00.

ADOPTED: February 5, 2008