

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into by and between the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, a political subdivision of the State of Nebraska, herein referred to as the "District", and the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, a municipal corporation and city of the primary class, hereinafter referred to as the "City".

RECITALS

- A. The District is responsible for the development and execution of plans, facilities, works and programs relating to but not limited to the development, management, utilization, and conservation of ground water and surface water and the development and management of recreational and park facilities.
- B. The City is responsible for providing and maintaining quality parks and green spaces, and offering enriching recreation activities and facilities for all people in Lincoln. This includes acquiring, developing and managing accessible park facilities that support a broad range of leisure interests and outdoor activities for the enjoyment and education of community residents as well as for the conservation of natural systems.
- C. The District and the City have established a number of programs and projects that are of benefit to natural resources and environmental education and have a mutual interest in developing a natural play space in Belmont Park.
- D. The District and the City desire to join together under the auspices of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, *Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 13-801 to 13-827* to cooperate on the development of a natural play space in Belmont Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals and the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. The District agrees to:
 - (a) Provide \$50,000 for design and initial implementation by July 1, 2009.
 - (b) Provide staff time to assist with the project.
 - (c) Provide signage for the site recognizing the District and the City as partners in the project.
2. The District and the City jointly agree to:
 - (a) Develop a scope of services for the project and develop a Request For Proposals (RFP) for the plan and design of the natural play space.
 - (b) Interview consulting firms.
 - (c) Select a consulting firm.
 - (d) Host a community forum for neighborhood input.
 - (e) Host a youth forum at Belmont School to allow students input on the natural play space.
 - (f) Install intermediate small-scale features in the interim this spring and summer while additional funding is sought to construct the natural play space plans.

- (g) Consult with Robin Moore as needed as the project progresses for feedback and input.
- (f) Work to secure funding for development of the space as drawn through available grants, foundations, etc.

3. The City agrees to:

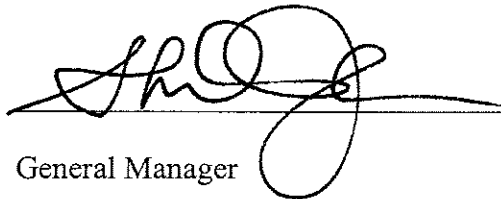
- (a) Administer the RFP process.
- (b) Hire and enter into a contract with the selected consulting firm.
- (c) Act as the point of contact for the play space project with the consulting firm.
- (d) Approve the final plans.
- (e) Determine implementation schedule corresponding to the availability of staff resources and funding.
- (f) Hire and enter into contracts needed for construction of the site.
- (g) Provide quarterly a detailed list of expenditures to the LPSNRD for the Belmont Project.
- (h) Maintain the natural play space area once construction is final.
- (i) Display signage provided by the District recognizing the District and the City as partners in the project.
- (j) Return any un-used District funds.

4. This Agreement shall remain in effect for a term of 5 years, unless terminated earlier by either party notifying the other in writing that such party wishes to terminate the Agreement. The Agreement will then terminate 30 calendar days after the receipt of such written notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the District and the City have caused these presents to be executed by their duly authorized officials as of the date below indicated.

Executed by the Distirct this 17 day of December, 2008.

LOWER PLATTE SOUTH NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT



General Manager

Executed by City this _____ day of _____, 2008.

CITY OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

Mayor