RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE COMMUNITY GREEN SPACE IRRIGATION GRANT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 380 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE

WHEREAS, the City of League City, Texas ("City") seeks to support community beautification, sustainability, and quality of life through the preservation and enhancement of non-commercial, landscaped green spaces; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes municipalities to establish programs to promote local economic development, including those that enhance public infrastructure and amenities; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to implement the Community Green Space Irrigation Grant Program to provide financial assistance for the development of irrigation infrastructure that serves designated community green spaces, such as parks, roadway medians, stormwater detention areas, and homeowners' association common areas; and

WHEREAS, the program will incentivize the installation of dedicated irrigation systems by eligible public, nonprofit, or resident-controlled entities, thereby advancing the City's goals related to livability, stormwater management, recreational access, and environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, eligible projects will remain subject to the full Capital Recovery Fees (CRFs) applicable under the City's adopted impact fee schedule, and all CRFs will be paid in accordance with Chapter 395 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, under this program, the City will satisfy the CRF obligation on behalf of qualifying applicants through an internal fund transfer from the General Fund to the CRF Fund, rather than issuing a reimbursement or reducing the amount of the assessed fee; and

WHEREAS, the use of General Fund dollars to satisfy Capital Recovery Fees on behalf of grant recipients shall not be interpreted as a waiver, refund, credit, or reduction of said fees, but as a separate economic development incentive authorized under Chapter 380; and

WHEREAS, participation in the Community Green Space Irrigation Grant Program is not an entitlement, and all grants are awarded solely at the discretion of the City Manager based on compliance with program requirements and availability of appropriated funds; and

WHEREAS, funding for the Community Green Space Irrigation Grant Program is subject to annual appropriation by the City Council through the General Fund budget, and nothing in this resolution shall be construed to obligate future appropriations or create a continuing liability on behalf of the City; and

WHEREAS, all recipients will be required to execute a written grant agreement with specific conditions, including project completion timelines and maintenance obligations, and the City reserves the right to revoke any grant and recover transferred funds if the recipient fails to meet the conditions of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager's Office shall maintain records of all approved grants and shall implement procedures for oversight, auditing, and reporting to ensure the program's transparency,

accountability, and alignment with its stated public purposes; and

WHEREAS, nothing in the establishment or administration of the Community Green Space Irrigation Grant Program shall limit or impair the City's authority to enforce existing codes, development regulations, land use restrictions, or utility service conditions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the Community Green Space Irrigation Grant Program complies with applicable state law, advances adopted strategic initiatives, and constitutes a legitimate and necessary public investment in the health, appearance, and environmental quality of the community.

NOW, THEREOFRE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS, as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City establishes the Community Green Space Irrigation Grant Program pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government Code; and a copy of the program is attached as Exhibit A.

<u>Section 2.</u> The City Manager or his designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete this transaction and executed any agreement associated with this program up to \$100,000 per each agreement.

<u>Section 3.</u> All resolutions and agreements and parts of resolutions and agreements in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of conflict only.

<u>Section 4.</u> It is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution was passed was open to the public and that advance public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED the _____ day of _____, 2025.

NICK LONG Mayor

ATTEST:

DIANA STAPP City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MICHELLE L. VILLARREAL City Attorney (mv)