

**TO: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAND REUTILIZATION AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**

**FROM: MIKE ZIEGLER, DIRECTOR OF GREEN CITY COALITION**

**RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING RENEWAL OF COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION, CITY OF ST. LOUIS AND MISSOURI CONSERVATION HERITAGE FOUNDATION**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This Resolution authorizes and approves the renewal of a Cooperative Agreement among the Land Reutilization Authority of the City of St. Louis, Missouri (LRA); the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC); the City of St. Louis; and the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation.

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**BACKGROUND:**

LRA has been a leading partner in the Green City Coalition (GCC) since its development in 2016 and St. Louis Development Corporation (SLDC) has staffed the effort since July 2018. GCC is an initiative framed by several partnership agreements that include the Missouri Department of Conservation, City of St. Louis, LRA, the Land Clearance for Redevelopment Authority of the City of St. Louis (LCRA), and the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District. GCC partners work with neighborhoods to convert concentrations of LRA-owned vacant and abandoned properties to green space amenities for the purposes of creating healthy, biodiverse, and resilient north St. Louis neighborhoods.

Through this cooperative agreement, financial and technical support is provided to the City's Planning & Urban Design Agency and the City's Forestry Division, including staff funding and land management equipment, to manage and maintain natural landscapes in City Parks and in community green spaces developed from LRA lots.

The responsibilities of LRA as part of the renewal and update of the Cooperative Agreement for 2026 are:

- Provide administrative support to project partners and host regular meetings of the project partners, including the Planning & Urban Design Agency and Forestry Division;
- Provide access to LRA properties for MDC and Green City Coalition staff, volunteers and contractors, and provide maintenance support to LRA-owned project sites;
- Work with the Department of Conservation and the City in establishing and adjusting work objectives, monitor progress, and evaluate effectiveness of the project.

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

Approval of this Resolution 26-LRA-020

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND REUTILIZATION AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI THAT:**

1. Board of Commissioners of the Land Reutilization Authority of the City of St. Louis, Missouri (LRA) hereby approves this Resolution and authorizes the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation, the City of St. Louis, and the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation extending the term of the Cooperative Agreement through December 31, 2026.
2. The final form of the foregoing amendment may be approved by the Executive Director, and his signature, whether manual or facsimile, shall be conclusive evidence of approval by LRA.
3. The Executive Director, his/her designee, and the appropriate officers, agents, and employees of LRA are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately after its passage and approval by the governing body of the LRA.

**ADOPTED** this 25th day of February, 2026.

**LAND REUTILIZATION AUTHORITY  
OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Secretary

**ATTEST:**

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Assistant Secretary