

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE January 25, 2008

TO Members of Quality of Life Committee: Pauline Medrano, Chair; Vonciel Jones Hill, Vice Chair; Carolyn R. Davis; Angela Hunt; Sheffie Kadane; David A. Neumann; Steve Salazar

SUBJECT Dallas Heritage Village Supplemental Agreement  
Informational Memo

The Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Management and Operation Agreement for Old City Park, also known as Dallas Heritage Village will be scheduled for your consideration on February 27, 2008. The original agreement between the City and the Dallas County Heritage Society was authorized on May 26, 1993 for the purpose of operation and management of Old City Park. The purpose of the supplemental agreement is to incorporate the new development plan for Dallas Heritage Village, and to establish the terms of both the City and the Society's financial participation for the construction of the improvements, consistent with the City's cultural facility policy. In addition, the improvements to the Dallas Heritage Village will be developed in two separate phases, whereby the City's 2003 bond funds will be utilized in full during Phase I and the Society will fund Phase II in its entirety.

The Dallas Heritage Village development plan will better serve the community by providing:

- A distinct and more visible entrance
- Secure parking and school bus drop-off areas
- Improved signage inside the Village
- A Visitor's Center that includes a ticket office and gift shop
- An education building with a classroom that can be divided into four
- A covered school orientation amphitheater with seating for 100 people

The improvements planned for Phase I are related to infrastructure and include power line relocations under Gano Street; a new concrete drive between Harwood and Park Ave.; curb cuts, parking approach and new maintenance entry at South Ervay Street; a parking lot and new plaza; irrigation and landscaping; installation of public art and new asphalt pavement for Park Avenue. The total project cost of Phase I is estimated to be \$1,598,599. The City's actual participation in the Phase I total project costs will be \$949,688.68.

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The improvements planned for Phase II include a new turn lane, entry signage and landscaping at the Harwood entrance; new brick pavers on Park Avenue north of the new Public Plaza; a new garden in the former Gano Street space between Park and St. Paul; a new open air Children's Theater, new visitor and education center; modifications to the existing wrought iron fence and stone wall to enclose the entire property; a new signature gate at the Harwood entrance and site lighting. The estimate for the work in this phase is \$2,620,000. The construction for Phase II is not part of the 2003 Bond Package.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.



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