TO: Members of City Council

DATE: January 12, 2023

COUNCIL DATE: February 2, 2023

RE: January 12, 2023 Budget, Finance, & Taxation Committee Action Item – Motion to Approve an Appropriation of $850,000 from the Downtown Open Space Fund to the Williams Park Bandshell Improvements Project

ACTION DESIRED:
Respectfully requesting City Council approval of an appropriation of $850,000 from the Downtown Open Space Fund to the Williams Park Bandshell Improvements Project.

ATTACHED:
Proposed Resolution

Council Member Copley Gerdes
Chair, Budget, Finance, & Taxation Committee
Resolution No. ___

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FUNDING FOR RENOVATIONS TO THE BAND SHELL IN WILLIAMS PARK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $850,000 FROM THE DOWNTOWN OPEN SPACE FUND; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS ABOUT THE WILLIAMS PARK BAND SHELL PROJECT; APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $850,000 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE DOWNTOWN OPEN SPACE FUND (1902) TO THE WILLIAMS PARK BAND SHELL RENOVATION PROJECT (TBD); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, City Council adopted Section 16.20.120.7.3, St. Petersburg City Code (City Code), which created a payment in lieu of required open space by which developers in the Downtown Center zoning districts could deposit a payment of 1% of total construction costs in a Downtown Open Space Fund, and created procedures and criteria for the use of these funds by the City; and

WHEREAS, as required by Section 16.20.120.7.3 of the City Code, the Williams Park Band Shell Renovation Project (“Project”) was recommended in writing to City Council by Council member Gina Driscoll and referred to the Budget, Finance, and Taxation Committee by City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Budget, Finance, and Taxation Committee recommended that funds in the amount of $850,000 from the Downtown Open Space Fund (1902) be appropriated for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg hereby approves funding for the Project from the Downtown Open Space Fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida finds that:

- the Project involves an improvement to an existing park in a Downtown Center zoning district
- there are sufficient funds in the Downtown Open Space Fund for the request at the time of this resolution
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funding for the Project in the amount of $850,000 from the Downtown Open Space Fund (1902) is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Downtown Open Space Fund (1902) to the Williams Park Band Shell Renovation Project (TBD) is hereby approved for FY23:

| Downtown Open Space Fund (1902) | Williams Park Band Shell Renovation Project (TBD) | $850,000 |

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DEPARTMENT:  BUDGET:

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LEGAL:

/s/ Jeannine S. Williams
City Attorney (or designee)
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