

Ordinance authorizing the execution of the First Amended Lease and Operating Agreement with Texas State Aquarium Association to adjust the term to 20 years from the effective date of this amendment and provide up to \$3,000,000.00 for construction of new Wildlife Rescue Center.

Whereas, the City and Texas State Aquarium Association have previously entered into multiple agreements to acquire and develop the Texas State Aquarium;

Whereas, on November 3,2020, voters in the City of Corpus Christi approved Proposition B in an amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 with priority projects including Texas State Aquarium Center for Wildlife Rescue and Research and other named projects;

Whereas, the City's Voter's Guide for Bond 2020 stated "The City will provide leverage funding in the amount of \$3M to assist the Texas State Aquarium with the construction of the new Texas Center for Wildlife Rescue and Research. Total costs for the project is \$15 M and the remainder of the funds will come from fundraising by the Texas State Aquarium."

Whereas, Texas Local Government Code Section 252.022 provides that a procurement of items that are available from only one source, including management services provided by a nonprofit organization to a municipal museum, park, zoo, or other facility to which the organization has provided significant financial or other benefits and a payment under a contract by which a developer participates in the construction of a public improvement as provided by Subchapter C, Chapter 212 are exempt from competitive bidding requirements;

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager or his designee is authorized to execute First Amended Lease and Operating Agreement with Texas State Aquarium Association to extend term and provide up to \$3,000,000 for construction of new Wildlife Rescue Center. A copy of the First Amended Lease and Operating Agreement is on file in the office of the City Secretary.

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the first time and passed to its second reading on this the _____ day of _____, 2021, by the following vote:

Paulette M. Guajardo _____	John Martinez _____
Roland Barrera _____	Ben Molina _____
Gil Hernandez _____	Mike Pusley _____
Michael Hunter _____	Greg Smith _____
Billy Lerma _____	

That the foregoing ordinance was read for the second time and passed finally on this the _____ day of _____ 2021, by the following vote:

Paulette M. Guajardo _____	John Martinez _____
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Roland Barrera _____
Gil Hernandez _____
Michael Hunter _____
Billy Lerma _____

Ben Molina _____
Mike Pusley _____
Greg Smith _____

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the _____ day of _____, 2021.
ATTEST:

Rebecca Huerta
City Secretary

Paulette M. Guajardo
Mayor