RESOLUTION NO. R-2025-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY (LCRA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 FOR THE CREATION OF AN EDUCATIONAL FACILITY HIGHLIGHTING THE HISTORIC GERMAN CASINO; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY IN ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the historic German Casino, formerly located at the intersection of Fayette and Farm Streets, was a notable cultural and community structure that collapsed in 2024; and

WHEREAS, a local nonprofit organization has since undertaken efforts to collect and preserve bricks and other salvageable materials from the site with the goal of reconstructing a facility that pays tribute to the original structure and its historical significance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop supports the preservation of local history and the creation of cultural and educational opportunities for the community; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) provides funding for community development and educational initiatives through its grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop desires to partner with the nonprofit organization to pursue a feasibility study and preliminary planning for the development of an educational facility that highlights the history of the German Casino; and

WHEREAS, the requested grant funding in the amount of \$100,000.00 would support these initial efforts and align with the City's goals for historical preservation and community enrichment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) in the amount of \$100,000.00 to support the creation of an educational facility highlighting the historic German Casino.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is further authorized to take all necessary actions, including execution of related documents, in connection with the grant application and administration, should the grant be awarded.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, on this 28th day of July, 2025.

APPROVED:

Ishmael Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Muscarello, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Muumelle

City Attorney

Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal & Zech, P.C.