

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date:	April 1, 2024
Action Required:	Approve Lease
Presenter:	Riaan Anthony, Interim Director
Staff Contacts:	Ashley Marshall, Deputy City Manager Jacob Stroman, City Attorney
Title:	Resolution for Approval of Lease Agreement between Bennett's Village and the City of Charlottesville

Background

If Council acts favorably on the Memorandum of Agreement with Bennett's Village, Inc., Bennett's Village has indicated that it is ready to proceed with construction of Phase I (the Treehouse). In order to proceed, Council needs to approve a lease to Bennett's Village for Phase I. The draft lease is consistent with the form of the phase lease attached as an exhibit to the MOA.

Discussion

Bennett's Village has indicated that the terms of the proposed lease are acceptable.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

This project is consistent with Council's Recreation, Arts, Culture Strategic Priority:

Charlottesville provides, encourages, and supports a wide range of recreation, green space, arts, and cultural programs and opportunities.

Community Engagement

Budgetary Impact

None. Bennett's Village, Inc. is donating its all abilities play area to the City as a new amenity in Pen Park.

Recommendation

Approve the proposed lease authorizing the City Manager to execute the lease in a form approved by the City Attorney.

Alternatives

If Council declines to approve the lease, Bennett's Village will not move forward.

Attachments

1. Phase 1 Ground Lease - Pen Park 2024.FINAL.3.27.2024
2. Ex. A.BVP Easement & Lease Area Revision 24 0326