RESOLUTION 2026-10

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF KENO FUNDS FOR COMMUNITY BETTERMENT PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA, NOT TO EXCEED $65,000, WITH A SUNSET DATE OF DECEMBER 31, 2026, FOR ANY UNSPENT FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the City of Broken Bow, a city of the second class in Nebraska, is authorized under the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 9-601 to 9-653, to conduct a keno lottery and to expend the proceeds for community betterment purposes; and

WHEREAS, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 9-604 defines community betterment purposes to include initiating, performing, or fostering worthy public works, enabling or furthering the erection or maintenance of public structures, and lessening the burdens borne by government; and

WHEREAS, Neb. Rev. Stat. § 9-619 authorizes the governing body of the City of Broken Bow to appropriate and use the gross proceeds of a keno lottery, after reasonable expenses, solely for community betterment purposes as determined by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified certain projects and purchases that meet the requirements for community betterment, including but not limited to pickle ball court, bulk mulch, flowers, plants, Bandstand improvements, flags and Christmas decorations; and

WHEREAS, Keno funds in Broken Bow have been underutilized, resulting in a substantial accumulation of funds that could be used to enhance the quality of life and aesthetic appeal of the community; and

WHEREAS, the proposed expenditure of Keno funds for these projects and purchases complies with the restrictions and requirements set forth in the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act; and

WHEREAS, to ensure fiscal responsibility, any unspent funds from this allocation shall be subject to a sunset date, after which they shall no longer be authorized for expenditure under this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA:

1. That the expenditure of Keno funds, not to exceed $65,000, is hereby authorized for community betterment projects and purchases, including but not limited to pickle ball court, bulk mulch, flowers, plants, Bandstand improvements, flags and Christmas decorations.
2. That any funds authorized under this resolution that remain unspent as of December 31, 2026, shall no longer be authorized for expenditure under this resolution and shall be subject to further action by the City Council.
3. That the City Administrator, or their designee, is authorized to execute all necessary documents and take all necessary actions to implement the approved expenditures.
4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9 day of June, 2026.

Rodney W. Sonnichsen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer A. Waterhouse, City Clerk

CITY OF BROKEN BOW CORPORATE SEAL NEBRASKA