



# MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda  
Item No. IX. AF  
8/15/2023

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Professional Services Agreement with the Plaza District Chamber of Commerce, Inc. to encourage investment and create opportunities for neighborhoods and the community to revitalize the area along NW 16th Street from North Blackwelder Avenue to North Indiana Avenue, not to exceed \$18,000, retroactive to July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Ward 6.

**Location:**

The area along NW 16<sup>th</sup> Street from North Blackwelder Avenue to North Indiana Avenue.

**Purpose:**

The Agreement provides for the Plaza District Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (Plaza District) to continue to support the City's Commercial District Revitalization Program by building a strong, volunteer-led organization, managing events, creating investment opportunities in the district, identifying funding resources for Plaza District's financial self-sufficiency, and strengthening relationships in the community. The Agreement requires Plaza District to provide funds for 50 percent of the expenses incurred under the Agreement.

**Background:**

Plaza District Chamber of Commerce, Inc. is a non-profit organization composed of business and property owners and residents who are dedicated to the continued redevelopment of the area and have provided financial support for this effort.

This marks the fourteenth year that the City of Oklahoma City has contracted with Plaza District in conjunction with the City's Commercial District Revitalization Program. Last year's Agreement was approved by City Council on August 16, 2022 (Item No. IX.AA). The first agreement was approved in 2010.

Planning staff has reviewed the proposed scope of work and recommends it for consideration by Council.

**Cost:**

Not to exceed \$18,000

**Term:**

Retroactive to July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

**Source of Funds:**

General Fund – General Operations – Planning Urban Redevelopment – Economic Development  
(001-0001-2400308-52550589)

**Review:**

Planning Department

**Recommendation:** Agreement be approved