

Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2020

TO: CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY

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SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-XX, "A

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE HUNT BRANCH LIBRARY

BUILDING REVITALIZATION PROJECT

SUMMARY

In 2019, the City was notified that the Governor had appropriated \$2.5 million for the revitalization of the Hunt Branch Library Building based on a request by Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva. In order to accept these funds the City must adopt a resolution approving the application for grant funds and submit an application the State Library.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-XX.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-XX - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE HUNT BRANCH LIBRARY REVITALIZATION PROJECT

2. Approve appropriation of grant funding when the funding is awarded.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statements:

- Fiscal and Organizational Stability
- Infrastructure and City Assets.

FISCAL IMPACT

Acceptance and appropriation of \$2.5 million for the Hunt Branch Library Revitalization Project will increase budgeted revenues and expenditures in the amount of the grant award.

BACKGROUND

The Legislature and the Governor of the State of California have appropriated funding for a grant for the Hunt Branch Library Revitalization Project. These funds were secured through the actions of Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva. The California State Library has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the grant project and the disbursement of funds. To that end, in order to accept and appropriate the grant funds, the City must adopt a Resolution approving the Application for the funds.

DISCUSSION

The City has been awarded \$2.5 million for the Hunt Branch Library Revitalization Project. The funds from the State will be used to design and renovate the current building as well as rehabilitate the aging historic structure. Included in the Scope of Work are significant improvements to the existing building which was constructed in 1962 and was added to the California and National List of Historic Buildings in 2019. A Facility Condition Assessment was conducted and identified nearly \$2.8 million in needed improvements to the interior, exterior and landscaped areas of the building. This Assessment will enable the City to prioritize the revitalization improvements using the funding from the State. The improvements to the existing building will strengthen the Hunt Branch Library's role as a community gathering place and hub of civic engagement and education.

The City currently has a Request for Proposals (RFP) posted to secure the programming services of a partner organization which will provide literacy, cultural or innovative programming at the location in addition to limited library services as an extension of the Fullerton Public Library. The location will also be available for various community organizations to hold meetings and classes. The RFP will close on Monday, February 24-2020.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Resolution No. 2020-XX