



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Title

A Resolution Approving a Funding Grant Agreement between the Village of Oak Park and the Oak Park Arts District Business Association for an Art Banner Project in the Amount of \$25,000 and Authorizing its Execution as Directed by the Village Board at the February 5, 2018 Regular Meeting

Overview

The Oak Park Arts District is requesting that the Village Board approve a funding request not to exceed \$25,000 to develop a banner program for the recently installed light poles.

Staff Recommendation

Approve the Resolution.

Fiscal Impact

This project will be funded using External Support line item 1001-46520-101-530667 from the Permit Processing Division of Development Customer Services.

Background

On June 5, 2017, the Village Board denied a Resolution to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Teska Associates, Inc. to prepare an update to the Harrison Street Oak Park Arts District. Representatives from the Oak Park Arts District stated that the plan did not need to be updated and believed that they could use the funds to further the district in other ways.

On January 15, 2017, staff received the attached letter from the Oak Park Arts District proposing a new program and seeking Village funds for the same - the Art Banner Project.

The project would utilize the 34 newly installed light poles along Harrison St. between Austin and Ridgeland. These poles have banner brackets and the Arts District would like to install unique, individually painted banners on each pole. In collaboration with the Oak Park Area Arts Council, artists from around the local area would be sought for the project.

Alternatives

The Board could defer action or request additional information.

Previous Board Action

On June 5, 2017, the Village Board denied the Resolution to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Teska Associates, Inc.

On February 5, 2018, the Village Board approved the Oak Park Arts District Request and directed staff to prepare funding agreement and budget amendment. A budget amendment is not necessary since the funds are being taking from the same line item within the Development Customer Services Department.

Citizen Advisory Commission Action

N/A.

Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments

Subject to Board approval of this motion, staff would prepare a Funding Agreement with the Oak Park Arts District and an Ordinance to amend the FY18 budget. The Arts District would begin work to solicit artists for the banner design in advance of Village Board consideration of the Funding Agreement and budget amendment.

Intergovernmental Cooperation Opportunities

N/A.

Performance Management (MAP) Alignment

A governance priority for Development Customer Services Department is the economic vitality of the business districts.