



Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED:

Concur with the SECA Commission recommendation and approve the Calendar Year 2020 SECA Grant Fund Program allocations

DEPARTMENT: City Clerk's Office

SUBMITTED BY: Dawn Portner, Special Events Coordinator

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

Throughout September and October 2019 the SECA Commission met to discuss the Calendar Year 2020 (CY20) applications and reach consensus on award allocations.

BACKGROUND:

Each year, a portion of the proceeds (\$1.9M) from the City's food and beverage tax revenue is allocated to fund the SECA Grant Fund program. Much of that allocation is dedicated to commitments that must be funded in accordance with an ordinance, resolution, Intergovernmental Agreement, or in support of fund administration. In July 2019, the City Council approved \$1,009,702 in non-discretionary allocations or "City Obligations" which included the following awards:

Organization/Initiative	CY20 Award
4 th of July Fireworks - City Contribution	20,000
4 th of July Shuttle Busses	29,000
Carillon Maintenance	106,795
Century Walk Maintenance	50,000
DuPage Children's Museum Debt Service	150,000
Grant Management Software Maintenance	7,100
Naperville Development Partnership	175,000
Naperville Municipal Band	153,615
NCTV17 - Community Event Coverage	24,000
NCTV17 - Naperville News	36,000
Riverwalk Maintenance	177,956
Special Events Coordinator	80,236
Total City Obligations	1,009,702

The remaining balance, \$890,298, was made available to the SECA Commission as discretionary funding for award disbursement.

In recent comprehensive SECA Grant Fund review workshops, the City Council approved adding the previous full grant year's underspend as well as a 2% escalator, or CPI, whichever is less, to the discretionary award total.

For CY20, the underspend from CY18 (\$82,627) and a 2% escalator (\$38,000) were added to the balance of \$890,298 for a total of \$1,010,925 in discretionary funds.

DISCUSSION:

As is historically done, the SECA Commission reviewed all grant applications in the fall. After the Commission reached a consensus on funding, the City Council was given the opportunity to review the allocations and make individual funding recommendations.

The Council recommendations are then compiled and discussed. As is practice, when a consensus of Councilmembers concur with the SECA Commission allocation, that particular award was not pulled for discussion.

This year, a consensus of Council concurred with all Commission funding recommendations.

Four Councilmembers suggested the allocation for Century Walk be changed from what the Commission recommended. However, within those four suggestions, there was not consensus on a revised award amount.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Discretionary allocations total \$1,010,925 of the total CY20 SECA Grant Fund Program.