

Legislation Text

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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the Calendar Year 2019 SECA Grant Fund Program allocations

DEPARTMENT: City Clerk's Office

SUBMITTED BY: Pam Gallahue, PhD, Director-City Clerk

BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:

In September and October 2018 the SECA Commission held two workshops and one meeting to discuss the Calendar Year 2019 (CY19) applications and reach consensus on allocations.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2018, the City Council approved \$1,002,388 in City Obligations. The remaining balance, \$897,612, was made available to the SECA Commission for award disbursement.

In the 2016 and 2018 comprehensive SECA review workshops, City Council approved adding the previous full grant year's underspend as well as a 2% escalator, or CPI, to the discretionary award total. For CY19, \$12,955 in underspend was added and a 2% escalator of \$38,000 was also included. The amount available for CY19 discretionary allocation totaled \$948,567.

The SECA Commission recommendation was presented for City Council review on December 28, 2018 with a workshop scheduled for January 22, 2019.

DISCUSSION:

As is historically done, the SECA Commission reviewed all grant applications in September and October. After the Commission reaches a consensus on funding, the City Council is given the opportunity to review the allocations and make individual funding recommendations. The recommendations are then compiled and discussed at a workshop. Traditionally, at the workshop, grant awards where six or more Councilmembers concurred with the SECA Commission were not pulled for discussion. This year, a consensus of Council concurred with all of the SECA Commission's funding recommendations. Because of Council's agreement, the January 22 workshop was canceled and allocations are presented here for formal approval.

Should Council wish to revise funding allocations, staff requests broad direction be given such as increasing/decreasing a grant category or recipient. The SECA Commission will then adjust specific allocations accordingly.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Discretionary allocations total \$948,567 of the total CY19 SECA Grant Fund Program.