



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Quality of Life
AGENDA DATE: January 27, 2021
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): 7
DEPARTMENT: Office of Arts and Culture
EXECUTIVE: Joey Zapata

SUBJECT

Authorize the **(1)** acceptance of a monetary donation in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 from Fair Park First for the exploration of the history of the Hall of Negro Life through the Office of Arts and Culture; **(2)** receipt and deposit of funds in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 in the Office of Cultural Affairs Gift and Donations Fund; and **(3)** establishment of appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 in the Office of Cultural Affairs Gift and Donations Fund - Not to exceed \$7,500.00 - Financing: Office of Cultural Affairs Gift and Donations Fund; Revenue: Office of Cultural Affairs Gift and Donations Fund \$7,500.00

BACKGROUND

On May 27, 2020, City Council accepted the National Park Service (NPS) Civil Rights Grant for \$50,000.00. The National Park Service made funding available to the City of Dallas under the African American Civil Rights Grant program to document, interpret, and preserve the sites related to African American Civil Rights in the 20th Century; and for creation and sharing of a body of research and educational material about the 1936 Hall of Negro Life at Fair Park.

The grant-funded project will document primary sources through oral histories from scholars and people who lived through the Civil Rights movement, as well as research to discover lost and archived information about African American history and Civil Rights events in Dallas. The project will culminate in a video, resources for the creation of a traveling exhibit, podcasts, and will enable this important story to be told to current and future generations in Dallas and beyond.

The grant proposal and project were made in partnership with Fair Park First, Inspire Art Dallas, and local historians Mr. Phillip Collins, Dr. W. Marvin Dulaney, and Dr. George Keaton. Fair Park First will provide funding for the match required by the grant application and space for the recording and telling of these histories.

Fair Park First is a community partner dedicated to restoring, revitalizing and renewing Fair Park, a 277-acre National Historic Landmark, to attract people from across the region and country.

Public Art is a division of the Office of Arts and Culture of the City of Dallas. Grant funds will be used for the exploration of the history of the Hall of Negro Life.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On May 27, 2020, City Council authorized the acceptance of the National Park Service African American Civil Rights Grant program by Resolution No. 20-0825.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Revenue: Office of Cultural Affairs Gift and Donations Fund \$7,500.00

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
Office of Cultural Affairs Gift and Donations Fund	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00