



## Legislation Text

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**STRATEGIC PRIORITY:** Quality of Life  
**AGENDA DATE:** June 23, 2021  
**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):** 7  
**DEPARTMENT:** Office of Arts and Culture  
**EXECUTIVE:** Joey Zapata

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### **SUBJECT**

Authorize the **(1)** acceptance of a grant from the W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation Care of Communities Foundation of Texas in the amount of \$5,000.00 to preserve and restore the Juanita J. Craft Civil Rights House for the period June 23, 2021 through June 23, 2022; **(2)** receipt and deposit of funds in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 in Juanita Craft House Luse Foundation Grant Fund; **(3)** establishment of appropriations in amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 in the Juanita Craft House Luse Foundation Grant Fund; and **(4)** execution of the grant agreement with W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation and Bank of America, NA, as Co-Trustee, and all terms, conditions, and documents required by the grant agreement - Not to exceed \$5,000.00 - Financing: W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation Grant Fund

### **BACKGROUND**

The Office of Arts & Culture (OAC) plans to re-open the Juanita Craft Civil Rights House and Memorial Garden (Craft House) for use as a public historic site open to the public on a regular basis. It will be the only publicly-accessible house museum to honor Mrs. Craft, a grass-roots community organizer who had a profound influence on her community, and the country as a whole.

The Junior League of Dallas (JLD) established a partnership with OAC to restore the Juanita J. Craft Civil Rights House & Museum as their Centennial Anniversary project. This partnership has also led way to the creation of a donor fund entitled "OAC Juanita Craft House and Garden Fund of Community Foundation of Texas" through which private donors, including foundations, can provide funding to the City of Dallas. The JLD Centennial Committee has worked with OAC staff to write and submit grant applications in order to raise funds for the Craft House.

A one-year grant has been awarded by the W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the "Juanita Craft House/Museum." Bank of America, NA., as Co-Trustee of the W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation, is responsible for the management of the grantmaking funds and requires the City of Dallas sign a grant agreement ensuring the funds be utilized for the restoration of the Craft House. The W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation will donate funds through the Juanita Craft House and Garden Fund of Community Foundation of Texas.

**PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)**

On June 20, 2019, the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission was briefed on the status of the Juanita J. Craft House and the Historic Structures Report.

On October 8, 2019, City Council authorized the acceptance of the FY 2018 African American Civil Rights Grant by Resolution No. 19-1586.

The Quality of Life Committee was briefed on the Juanita J. Craft Civil Rights House on November 18, 2019.

The Quality of Life Committee was briefed on the Juanita J. Craft Civil Rights House Update on September 21, 2020.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
W.P. & Bulah Luse Foundation Grant Fund	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00