

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: January 27, 2025

TITLE:

Consideration, discussion and possible action on a request for a \$10,000 support grant for an event entitled "Lights, Camera, Bastrop."

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

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BACKGROUND/HISTORY:

"Lights, Camera, Bastrop" is an event geared towards the film industry. Specifically, it is education and training classes aimed at teaching skills such as acting, lighting, gaffing, scouting, stunts, and other skills related to the film industry.

The event, "Lights, Camera, Bastrop" will be held in Mayfest Park. Date is TBD.

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It is also expected that this event will apply for Hotel Occupancy Tax funding as the event is expected to draw several hundred people from around the state.

Sec. 501.162. USE OF TAX REVENUE FOR JOB TRAINING. A corporation may spend tax revenue received under this subtitle for job training offered through a business enterprise only if the business enterprise has committed in writing to:

- (1) create new jobs that pay wages that are at least equal to the prevailing wage for the applicable occupation in the local labor market area; or
- (2) increase its payroll to pay wages that are at least equal to the prevailing wage for the applicable occupation in the local labor market area.

Added by Acts 2007, 80th Leg., R.S., Ch. 885 (H.B. 2278), Sec. 3.01, eff. April 1, 2009.

While the event is a very worthwhile project, unless the organization has a written agreement with a company who can provide such jobs after the event, it is unlikely that this is a qualified project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$10,000

RECOMMENDATION:

The project is not a qualified BEDC project that would qualify for funding.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Presentation by Extreme Force Hollywood Stunts