

MEETING DATE: January 28, 2025

TITLE:

Consider and act on Resolution No. R-2025-20, accepting a donation from Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative in the amount of \$3,500.00 (Three Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars) for the upcoming Bastrop Mardi Gras Event being held in Downtown Bastrop, TX, on Saturday February 1, 2025.

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Submitted by: Kathy Danielson, Community Engagement Director

BACKGROUND/HISTORY:

Bastrop, TX Mardi Gras 2025 is the second annual "Cultural Exchange" event celebrating Cajun culture, highlighting the distinctive <u>"Courir de Mardi Gras" customs</u>. Welcoming our neighbors from Louisiana, local delegates, and residents, we all come together to honor these cherished traditions with music, dancing, and delicious <u>Cajun cuisine</u>. Festivities include a <u>Mardi Gras Ball</u>, a <u>live radio broadcast from KVPI</u>, a sizzling <u>Gumbo Cook-Off</u>, a lively <u>Mardi Gras Parade</u>, and a vibrant blend of authentic <u>Cajun and Zydeco music</u>. Families enjoy <u>kid-friendly cultural activities</u> and an unforgettable weekend of revelry, culture, and community spirit, all unfolding in the heart of Downtown Bastrop, Texas!

POLICY EXPLANATION:

The City of Bastrop's Finance Policy requires all donations to be formally accepted by the City Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

Kathy Danielson, Community Engagement Director, recommends approving Resolution No. R-2025-20, accepting a donation from Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative in the amount of \$3,500.00 (Three Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars) for the upcoming Bastrop, TX Mardi Gras 2025 event being held in Downtown Bastrop, TX, on Saturday February 1, 2025.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution No. R-2025-20
- 2. City of Bastrop Donation Receipt