



## Agenda Item Report

**Meeting Type:** Tourism Commission

**Meeting Date:** April 6, 2026

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**Item Title:** Consider and take action regarding the 2026 tourism grant applications

**Submitted By:** David Bennett, Communications & Economic Development Coordinator

**Detailed Description of Subject Matter:**

Staff have received X applications for the 2026 tourism grant. The Tourism Commission has \$10,000 to allocate toward tourism events, marketing, and development that can be applied for. There was a total of \$14,373.12 requested, and staff recommends the following amounts to be awarded:

- \$850 to Wyverns Trove – Quilt Show & Workshop
- \$450 to Wyverns Trove – Summer Arts & Crafts Event
- \$2,500 to Wyverns Trove – Facility Improvement – A/C
- \$947.80 to Recreation Department – Tables and Carts
- \$150 to Public Library – Mark Moran Event
- \$2,500 to Redbud Players – Fall Production
- \$2,000 to Columbus Chamber Choir – 2026 Concerts
- \$300 to Chamber of Commerce – Redbud Days

These amounts total to \$9,697.80 and will allow the Special Events line item to be \$302.20 under budget to either roll over at the end of the year or be spent on Tourism supporting another event.

**List all Supporting Documentation Attached:**

- Applications for the 2026 Tourism Grant

**Action Requested of the Committee:**

Review and approve tourism grant applications in the amounts recommended.

**Strategic Plan Objective(s):**