

STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 16, 2024

TO: City of Colusa Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Jesse Cain, City Manager & Sadie Ash, Grants

AGENDA ITEM:

2024/25 Community Sake Grants (Cycle 2)

Recommendation: Council to adopt the Resolution to release the NOFO and open applications for the second round of Community Sake Grants.

BACKGROUND ANALYSIS:

In August of 2023, Council approved the dedication of \$30,000 is American Rescue Plan Act funds to be dedicated to supporting local Non-Profits (NP) and Community-Based Organizations (CBO) for events and programs they produced between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024.

The city received a total of seven applications and awarded a fair amount to each group for a total of \$15,000. This funding was used to support events including, but not limited to: VYCR Day hosting the Author for a free public speaking event, The Stagehands to have support on costs associated with offering live theater and host the Miss. Colusa County Pageant, The Friends of the Library to create a graphic novel collection to encourage literacy, support to Colusa Founders Day to generate excitement and market the wonderful free all day event, and Colusa Rotary to purchase trees that were planned in the Fall 2023 round of Trees for Tomorrow.

The release of the second round of funding on April 22, 2024, with applications due no later than May 24th at 5PM, will give our local community groups plenty of time to create any new events and programing, or use existing events and programing that they would like fiscal support for. This release and application schedule will also allow City Staff to properly account for the ARPA funds to be reflected in the FY Budget, have final award recommendations to council by June 4, 2024, for approval, and have funds released in the first month of FY 24/25. There are no changes to language and requirements, only the dates reflected that pertain to this second round.

BUDGET IMPACT: \$15,000 for Fiscal Year

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Council to approve Resolution 24 approving the release of NOFO and opening of Community Sake Grant applications for the 2024/25 fiscal year.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution 24-__ Community Sake Policy NOFO CSG Cycle 2