AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY





STAFF

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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 002, 2023, Appropriating Philanthropic Revenue Received Through City Give for the Acquisition of a Community Soundstage in the Parks Department.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to request appropriation of \$250,000.00 in philanthropic revenue received by City Give for Parks for the purchase and acquisition of a community soundstage.

In 2019, City Give, a formalized enterprise-wide initiative was launched to create a transparent, non-partisan governance structure for the acceptance and appropriations of charitable gifts.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

A community soundstage is a self-contained trailer which converts into a portable stage and band shell. With a useful life of 20 years, the current 21-year-old Showmobile was identified as opportunity for private funding. The Showmobile is a versatile platform (literally) utilized by nonprofit organizations, businesses, and community organizers.

The replacement stage includes a 32' x 32' stage surface, upgraded lighting capabilities, ADA accessibility, and an onboard generator to allow for flexible locations.

Purchased over 20 years ago, the current mobile stage provides nonprofit organizations, businesses, community organizers with a versatile platform to bring community events to life and engage local audiences and residents. The current Showmobile is now 21+ years old and nearing the end of her useful life. With an average 2-3 events each month, the mobile stage allows nonprofits and community events an affordable forum to present residents with diverse range of musical & theater experiences.

Two (2) charitable gifts of \$125,000 each were solicited of and received by generous community donors as an investment in the City's service to the community. While the City of Fort Collins does not accept anonymous charitable giving, the City does respect a donor's request for confidentiality.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

This Ordinance will appropriate \$250,000.00 in philanthropic revenue received by City Give for expenditure in the General Fund by the Parks Department.

The City Manager has also determined that these appropriations are available and previously unappropriated in the General Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in the General Fund during fiscal year 2023.

These donations have been received and accepted per the City Give Administrative and Financial Policy.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance for Consideration