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BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: July 27,2021

- To: Village President and Board of Trustees
- From: Jim Marino, Village Manager

Topic: Auditorium Lease

PURPOSE:

The Homewood Arts Council (HAC) would like to use our auditorium for performing arts and other cultural programs. A lease with the Council must be approved to allow them to use the space.

PROCESS:

Our lease with the Homewood Flossmoor Park District that allowed the park district to use our auditorium has expired. We did not renew the lease because we intend to use the auditorium for an entertainment venue.

Staff has met several times with the HAC and an entertainment venue operator about renovating the auditorium to accommodate art, cultural and entertainment events. The entertainment operator would bring in touring entertainers, and the HAC as well as other local groups could use the space for their programs. Until such time that the auditorium is renovated, the HAC would like to utilize the space for its programs.

The attached lease allows the HAC to use the auditiorum for one year. The HAC provided the attached descripton of the programs they plan to offer.

OUTCOME:

This lease will allow the HAC to further its mission to support local artists and make the community more aware of what the Council offers. It will also provide opportunities to expose the community to arts and culture, and can increase foot traffic in the downtown area.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Funding Source: No Financial Impact Budgeted Amount: Cost:

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LEGAL REVIEW: Completed

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:

Authorize the Village President to enter into a one-year lease agreement with the Homewood Arts Council for use of the Village's auditorium.