

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: August 5, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Leisure Services

TITLE:

Acceptance of the \$5,000 SEFLIN Breakthrough Award and appropriation to Library operating expenses for use in the digitization of the Lake Worth Herald project

SUMMARY:

The library received \$5,000 for the SEFLIN Breakthrough Award in recognition of its invaluable contribution to preserving and sharing the rich history of Lake Worth Beach and wishes to appropriate these funds to the digitization of the Lake Worth Herald project.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Lake Worth Beach Public Library seeks approval to complete the digitization of the Lake Worth Herald newspaper (1912–2025) for inclusion in the Florida Digital Newspaper Library (FDNL). An estimated 100,000 pages will be digitized in total. To date, 25,000 pages (1913–1970) have been digitized and are already searchable on the FDNL. Digital files for 2010–2025 were provided by the publisher. Approximately 50,000 additional pages remain to be scanned from bound volumes and unbound newspapers in the library's collection.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove acceptance of \$5,000 for SEFLIN Breakthrough Award and appropriation for the Lake Worth Herald Digitization Project.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis
SEFLIN Grant for Digitization Project

FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Inflows/Revenues					
Appropriated (Budgeted)	0	0	0	0	0
Program Income	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	\$5,000	0	0	0	0
In Kind	0	0	0	0	0
Outflows/Expenditures					
Appropriated (Budgeted)	0	0	0	0	0
Operating	\$5,000	0	0	0	0
Capital	0	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact (If not budgeted)	0	0	0	0	0
No. of Addn'l Full-Time Employee Positions	0	0	0	0	0

New Appropriation (Not Budgeted) Fiscal Impact:		
	Revenue Source	Expenditure
Department	Library Trust Fund	Library Trust Fund
Division	N/A	N/A
GL Description	Sales/Auctions/Donations	Contractual Services
GL Account Number	607-0000-337.70-00	607-8020-571.34-50
Project Number	N/A	N/A
Requested Funds	\$5,000	\$5,000
Remaining Balance	N/A	N/A