

EXECUTIVE BRIEF REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: May 4, 2021

DEPARTMENT: Leisure Services

TITLE:

Resolution No. 21-2021 – ALA COVID Library Relief Fund Grant Application

SUMMARY:

The resolution approves the submission of an application for funding assistance in the amount of \$30,000 to support the Library's operating budget under the American Library Association (ALA) COVID Library Relief Fund grant program. This assistance is provided to support public libraries that have experienced economic hardship due to the coronavirus pandemic, which has impacted the ability for these libraries to adequately serve their communities.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

Resolution No. 21- 2021 approves the submission of the application for funding in the amount of \$30,000 under the ALA COVID Library Relief Fund to support the operation of the City's Public Library that has experienced economic hardship as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. The grant funding will be utilized to provide new needed services to City residents, especially those representing underserved populations in low- to moderate-income groups.

The funding will enable the City's Public Library to better meet the needs of those who have been impacted the greatest by the coronavirus pandemic. These residents include the elderly, immigrant populations, families with school aged children and families with pre-school children. Planned uses of the grant funds will include the following measures in support of the aforementioned community target audience:

- Purchase of large print books;
- Establish books by mail service;
- Hire one (1) part-time bi-lingual assistant;
- Establish five (5) hotspots for remote users; and
- Purchase self-help literacy teaching software to post on the City's website.

Awarded grant funds can be used to support the city's Public Library through December 31, 2021. There is no match of local cost share required of the City for these grant funds.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Resolution No. 21-2021 approving submission of the City' application for funding in the amount of \$30,000 under the ALA COVID Library Relief Fund.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis
Resolution

FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0
Operating Expenditures	0	30,000	0	0	0
External Revenues	0	0	0	0	0
Program Income	0	0	0	0	0
In-kind Match	0	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact	0	0	0	0	0
No. of Addn'l Full-Time Employee Positions	0	0	0	0	0

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Account Number	Account Description	Project Number	FY20 Budget	Current Balance	Agenda Expenditure	Balance
180-0000-334-70-04	Library Grants	TBD			30,000	