

Montgomery MEDC
AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: October 23, 2023	Budgeted Amount: \$0 / \$19,000 available
Department: N/A	Prepared By: DMc

Subject

Consideration and possible action on a grant request for the 2023 Christmas in Historic Montgomery event as submitted by the Montgomery Historic Society.

Recommendation

Discuss the request and determine whether to award \$5,000 in grant funding to the Montgomery Historical Society for the 2023 Christmas in Historic Montgomery event. Staff has no objections to the request.

Discussion

Issue:

The Montgomery Historical Society is requesting grant funding for the 2023 Christmas in Historic Montgomery event. As you are aware, the City & MEDC sponsor and coordinate the Christmas parade that is also part of the day's festivities. The historic society holds the vendor market, Cookie Walk, and Candlelight Historic Home Tour.

Regulations:

The MEDC currently has \$19,000 in unallocated events funding budgeted for FY 2024. The MEDC could award this request as you can any other grant request.

Analysis & Conclusion:

Serving as the historic society's biggest fundraiser of the year, Christmas in Historic Montgomery is one of the best-attended events in the city and is a tradition that has taken place for many years. The event brings thousands of residents and visitors to the downtown area for a day of festivities. The historic society uses the proceeds to help fund the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the historic structures and properties they own.

Staff has no objection if the MEDC chooses to allocate funding to the Montgomery Historical Society for the 2023 Christmas in Historic Montgomery event. The society is an important partner of the city and MEDC in preserving the history of our community.

Approved By

Assistant City Administrator	Dave McCorquodale	Date: 10/20/2023

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