

TO: Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC)
FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director
DATE: September 29, 2025
SUBJECT: Lodging Tax Historic and Cultural Funding for 2026

1) Recommended Action:

Make a motion to approve \$210,000 of 2026 Lodging Tax funds for the Historic and Cultural facilities and programs. Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) funding recommendations are tentatively scheduled before the Tumwater City Council on October 21, 2025.

2) Background:

Pursuant to RCW 67.28.180, the City of Tumwater collects a 4% lodging tax on hotel and motel stays within the City. The City allocates one-half of that amount (2%) each year to fund historic preservation activities. Allocation of funds pursuant to this process must be consistent with TMC 3.12 and RCW 67.28.1816. The Tumwater City Council passed Resolution No. R2016-006 which created a policy to guide the City's investment of Lodging Tax in tourism related activities, facilities, and programs.

The attached memo briefs the Committee on the Lodging Tax historic and cultural funding activities. Staff will be present to answer any questions.

3) Alternatives:

☐ Some other course of action

4) Attachments:

A. Lodging Tax Historic and Cultural Funding for 2026 Memo