

TO: Historic Preservation Commission
FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director
DATE: November 21, 2024
SUBJECT: Olympia Tumwater Foundation Update

1) Recommended Action:

Information Item

2) Background:

John Freedman, Executive Director, and Karen Johnson, Schmidt House Curator, will be presenting information on the operations of the foundation. Through the City's lodging tax fund, \$60,000/yr is provided to the foundation to support their operations and assist the City with historical research, community questions on historical issues, and the promotion of historical tourism. A one-time increase has been approved for the 2025/26 biennium and the Foundation will receive \$110,000/yr to support operations and assist the City with history related projects.

3) Alternatives:

- Discussion Item – Discussion will include a summary of 2024 operations and information on upcoming staffing changes, new facilities and plans.
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4) Attachments:

None