



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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To: John Szerlag, City Manager

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Subject: Museum Operations Grant FY 2010/11 Budget Amendment

Background

In October 2010 the City of Troy received a Kresge Foundation Detroit Arts Support grant of \$40,000 awarded to the Troy Museum & Historic Troy Museum & Historic Village. The first allocation of \$20,000 is for the grant period August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011. It is recommended that these funds be allocated as indicated below: to provide limited weekend hours to facilitate requests for weddings and weekend programs; to increase custodial service; to maintain important professional affiliations that provide access to grants; and to retain a temporary curator. The balance will be applied to general operational and program services.

Supervision for expanded hours (Feb-June)	\$2,500
Curator consultant (Jan-June)	\$4,000
Cleaning upgrade	\$2,000
Professional memberships	\$500
General operations/programs	\$11,000
Total	\$20,000

Financial Considerations

The grant funds will restore some museum services that were eliminated in July.

Legal Considerations

The City of Troy and the Troy Museum can meet the reporting requirements of the grant. As a grant recipient the Museum Manager will enter organizational data into the Michigan Cultural Data Project. The Michigan CDP is an online collaborative effort for collecting and standardizing historical and financial organizational data.



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Recommendation

City management and the Museum staff of the Library Department recommend acceptance of the Kresge Foundation's Detroit Arts Support grant of \$40,000 awarded to the Troy Museum & Historic Village and the allocation of the first payment \$20,000 for the period of August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011.

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