

City Council Report

Date: April 15, 2019
To: City Council

Through: Christopher J. Brady, City Manager

From: Scott J. Butler, Deputy City Manager, Government Relations

Subject: Resolution of support for the submittal of a grant application by City of

Mesa Transportation Department to the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation in the amount of \$30,000 to produce Bike and Pedestrian Safety education materials and approving the City Manager to accept and administer

subsequent awarded funds.

Purpose and Recommendation

This request is seeking a City Council resolution of support for City of Mesa Transportation Department's application to Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation for Proposition 202 funding. If awarded, the grant will provide \$30,000 for Bike and Pedestrian Safety education materials. A Council Resolution supports this effort to secure a grant and commits the city to receive it on behalf of the department and pass it through in its entirety to them if awarded. As this program serves the needs of City of Mesa residents, staff recommendation is for Council to adopt this resolution.

Background:

The Transportation Department's mission is to serve the public by planning, designing, operating and maintaining a high quality, multi-modal transportation system for the City of Mesa. The Department is constantly looking ahead by planning for the anticipated growth of the area and providing a multi-modal transportation system that contributes to an overall high quality of life for our residents. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Program supports the above mission and abides with the framework of the bicycle friendly community (BFC) criteria or the five (5)"E"s.

Funding awarded through this grant will allow the program to produce a safety video and booklet to be used in educating and improving the safety of children in our community while also encouraging safe and healthy cycling.

Discussion

A resolution of support for this grant request will complete the necessary documentation for City of Mesa Transportation Department to file their application by May 1, 2019 and

be considered for funding from Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation. Mesa's participation in Proposition 202 Indian Gaming Grants has helped invest over \$1 billion to Arizona communities since its passage in 2002 from four surrounding tribal governments.

Alternatives

The only alternative to adopting this resolution would be to not adopt. Such an action would deny Mesa sponsorship for this request and require City of Mesa Transportation Department to seek an alternate funding source for this program.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact on the City of Mesa, should this grant be awarded for City of Mesa Transportation Department will be negligible except overhead expenses in accounting to accept and manage the grant funds and project related administrative costs.