



# City Council Report

**Date:** August 19, 2024

**To:** City Council

**Through:** Scott J. Butler, Assistant City Manager

**From:** Sharon Skinner, Grants Coordinator

**Subject:** Resolution approving and authorizing the City Manager to accept Proposition 202 funds from the Gila River Indian Community and administer awarded funds. (Citywide)

## Purpose and Recommendation

This requested resolution will approve and authorize the City Manager to accept Proposition 202 funds from the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) and administer awarded funds.

The Gila River Indian Community wishes the City of Mesa to receive and distribute \$540,000 from its 2024 12% revenue award cycle for grants as follows:

- \$40,000 to Mesa Arts Center, (2-year grant at \$20,000/yr) for their Opportunities for 55+ program.
- \$500,000 to i.d.e.a. museum (3-year grant term) to support “The BIG idea” Experience (Capital) Campaign.

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

## Background

Proposition 202, passed with the 2002 Gaming Compact in Arizona, directs participating Tribal Governments to share 12% of their gaming revenues with surrounding local governments. Nonprofit organizations are only eligible to compete with a local government agreeing to serve as a pass-through agent.

## Discussion

A resolution of support for this grant request will complete the necessary documentation for Gila River Indian Community to move forward with funding the selected awardees.

Proposition 202 Indian Gaming Grants has returned over \$10 million to our community since its passage in 2002 from five surrounding tribal governments.

### **Alternatives**

The only alternative to adopting this resolution would be to not adopt. Such an action would deny the awarded organizations access to this funding source.

### **Fiscal Impact**

These pass-through grants will have a negligible fiscal impact in the form of administration costs to accept payment and cut checks for fund disbursement.