

**Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
Memorandum #09-01**

DATE: February 26th, 2009

TO: Honorable Mayor Kathleen M. Novak and City Council Members

FROM: Michael Stricker, Recreation Supervisor, Theatre & Culture
Amanda Peterson, Acting Director for Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services *app*
William A. Simmons, City Manager *WAS*

CC: Shawn Cordsen, Finance Director

SUBJECT: CR-28 – Per Capita Funding for the NAHF

RECOMMENDATION: Attached to this memorandum is a Resolution, which, if approved, would release the per capita funds appropriated for the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation (NAHF). The release of the appropriation of per capita funds to NAHF is recommended by Staff. NAHF Board of Trustees will accept these funds, and utilize them in a manner consistent with the mission "...to maintain and nurture the cultural arts for the benefit of our community." Also attached to this memorandum is a letter of request from the NAHF Board of Trustees.

BACKGROUND: Through Resolution 04-107, the City Council has supported the intention to fund the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation (NAHF) based upon a formula of \$1.00 multiplied by number of residents living within the City's boundaries. The Denver Regional Council of Government's (DRCOG) most recent figures estimate the number of residents within Northglenn to be 35,827.

The per capita funding has enhanced the NAHF's ability to achieve the goal of providing funding for quality youth theatre, public art, and other cultural endeavors in our community. These funds have been used to help beautify parks and public areas throughout the City. The Art on Parade and People's Choice programs have purchased and gifted eleven permanent works of art within City parks and open space. *Open Space* by New Mexico artist George Manus and *Ascension* by Arkansas artist Ryan Schmidt will be dedicated in the spring and summer of 2009. It is the intent of the NAHF to develop a "tour of the city" through our permanent sculpture collection in 2009 as well.

Northglenn Youth Theatre celebrates its 15th anniversary in 2009 and the Missoula Children's Theatre has returned for the 20th year in a row, providing service to hundreds of youth each year. This year's Summer Concert Series *World Beat* theme and July 4th Family Festival entertainment will feature a culturally diverse selection of bands, representing Northglenn's diverse community and commitment to inclusivity.

The Scientific & Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) has committed \$65,563 for 2009. Work is being done to retain sponsors who have provided financial support for cultural programs in the past, as well as to seek out new sponsors, all of which will help augment NAHF funding. The per capita and SCFD funds, however, make up the greatest portion of monies used in fulfilling the mission. The NAHF believes that partnerships such as the one that exists with the City of Northglenn are a valued community asset. Staff looks forward to the opportunity to provide a diverse theatre and cultural experience for the residents of our community by building upon our past success in the coming year.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS: Funds are budgeted in the amount of \$38,000 in line item 110 61001 000 4452, "Outside Agency Funding." This budgeted amount exceeds the request by \$2,173.00. The NAHF is anticipating funding to occur during the first quarter of 2009.

STAFF REFERENCE: Please contact Michael Stricker at mstricker@northglenn.org or by phone at 303.450.8727 for any further questions.

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR NOVAK

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-28
Series of 2009

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A RESOLUTION APPROVING FUNDING FOR THE NORTHGLENN ARTS AND HUMANITIES FOUNDATION'S STRATEGIC PLAN

WHEREAS, the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation (the "Foundation"), is a Colorado non-profit corporation organized and existing for the purpose of furthering artistic and cultural opportunities in the City of Northglenn; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation performs an important public purpose by encouraging the development of art located within the City and partially funding other cultural opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to encourage the Foundation in its mission and has historically appropriated funding for the Foundation based on a formula of \$1.00 times the number of residents living within the City's boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, by the adoption of Resolution 04-107, Series of 2004, declared its intent to appropriate funds in future years for the Foundation's important public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

The City Council hereby approves funding for the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation in an amount equal to \$1.00 times the number of persons residing within the City's boundaries as estimated by the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). Said estimate is 35,827.

DATED at Northglenn, Colorado, this ____ day of _____, 2009.

KATHLEEN M. NOVAK
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney