CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Community Planning

DATE: November 29, 2016

REQUESTED ACTION:

Approve the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation to fund eleven projects for the 2017 Historical Promotions Grant program at a total amount of \$91,090.

X	Consent	Hearing	County Manager

BACKGROUND

RCW 36.22.170 allows the County to impose a one-dollar surcharge to be used, at the discretion of the county councilors, to promote historical preservation or historical programs, which may include preservation of historical documents. In order to make grant funding recommendations regarding that funding source, a Historical Promotion Grants Program Advisory Committee (HPG) was initiated in 2006. In early 2015, BOCC staff proposed that the program be administered through the Clark County Historic Preservation Commission.

The Clark County Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) raises community awareness of the county's historic and cultural resources and serves as the county's primary resource on historic preservation. The HPC consists of a minimum of 5 members appointed by the Board of County Councilors. Members must have demonstrated special interest, experience or knowledge in history, historic preservation, architecture or related disciplines.

In September, the HPC convened a subcommittee to review the grant applications and provide the HPC with recommendations for funding. Fifteen applications for 2017 grants were received in the total request amount of \$161,863.59.

On October 13, 2016, the HPC subcommittee reviewed the applications. The committee's goal was to fund as many projects as possible that met the program's criteria. In addition, they were working within a specific budget range to ensure a healthy fund for the 2018 grant cycle. As shown below, most projects recommended did not receive the full amount requested. The committee diligently reviewed each project's scope and budget to make a determination on the amount to fund. On Tuesday, November 3, 2016, the committee presented their recommendations to the entire Historic Preservation Commission for review. The HPC approved the subcommittee's recommendations to forward to the BOCC to award eleven grants totaling \$91,090 as shown below:

 Musical Artifacts Restoration – Camas/Washougal Historical Society/Two Rivers Heritage Museum

Request: \$5,222 Recommendation: \$5,222

- 3. Cemetery Fence Relocation Clark County Poor Farm Clark County Parks Request: \$25,910 Recommendation: \$15,250



4. **Oral History Digitization and Access** - Clark County Historical Museum **Request**: \$12,100 **Recommendation**: \$9,653

5. Guided Hikes - Columbia Springs

Request: \$3,250

Recommendation: \$3,000

6. **Historical Tax Record Preservation** - Clark County Genealogical Society **Request:** \$3,140 **Recommendation:** \$3,140

7. BYCX Track Upgrade and Repair – Chelatchie Prairie RR Request: \$15,000 Recommendation: \$12,000

8. BYCX #1 Diesel Cab Floor and Sander Repair – Chelatchie Prairie RR Request: \$3,080 Recommendation: \$2,500

 Podcast Program: "Forgotten Stories of Clark County Women, the Voices Seldom Heard in Text Books" – Friends of Fort Vancouver National Historic Site Request: \$7,850 Recommendation: \$6,850

10. **Providence Academy Exhibit Gallery** – Fort Vancouver National Trust **Request:** \$32,000 **Recommendation:** \$20,000

11. **Venersborg Talking History** – Venersborg Community Club Request: \$1,400 **Recommendation: \$1,500**

Applicant requested an additional \$500 for postage to send out a newsletter to their community to advertise the program and encourage residents to sign up for an electronic newsletter. The committee recommended adding \$100 dollars toward the postage needs.

Total Recommended For Funding: \$91,090

COUNCIL POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications in approving the recommended grants totally \$91,090 since this is a dedicated source of funding per RCW 36.22.170. Funding for approved projects would become available as of January 1, 2017.

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

As stated above, the Clark County Historic Preservation Commission's mission it to raise community awareness of the county's historic and cultural resources and serve as the county's primary resource on historic preservation. These grants will greatly enhance the ability of those receiving them to promote Clark County's history and connect its past to the future.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

YES	NO	
X		Action falls within existing budget capacity.
		Action falls within existing budget capacity but requires a change of purpose within existing appropriation
		Additional budget capacity is necessary and will be requested at the next supplemental. If YES, please complete the budget impact statement. If YES, this action will be referred to the county council with a recommendation from the county manager.

BUDGET DETAILS

Local Fund Dollar Amount		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Grant Fund Dollar Amount		
Account	Historical Preservation/Historical Program Revenue	
Company Name		

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APPROVED: Mu CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS

DATE: NOV. 29, 2016

SR# SR 242-16

APPROVED:	
Mark McCauley, Coun	nty Manager
DATE:	

BUDGET IMPACT ATTACHMENT

Part I: Narrative Explanation

I. A – Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information

This is the 2016 allocation of Historical Promotion Grants funding

Part II: Estimated Revenues

	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
Fund #/Title	GF \$147,516	Total \$147,516	GF	Total	GF	Total
Historical Preservation/Historical						
Program Revenue						
		-		-		-
Total	\$147,516	\$147,516				

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

Revenue for this fund is derived from a one dollar surcharge on the recording of documents authorized by RCW 36.22.170.

Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III. A – Expenditures summed up

	FTE's	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
Fund #/Title		GF \$91,090	Total \$91,090	GF	Total	GF	Total
Historical Promotions Grants							
			-		-		-
Total		\$91,090	\$91,090				

III. B – Expenditure by object category

	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
Fund #/Title	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits						-
Contractual						
Supplies						
Travel						
Other controllables						
Capital Outlays						
Inter-fund Transfers						
Debt Service				1		
Total						