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STAFF REPORT
BOARD MEETING DATE: June 21, 2016

DATE: June 7, 2016
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Gabrielle Enfield, County Grants Administrator
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THROUGH: Al Rogers, Management Services Director

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve grant awards for FY 2016-2017 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; Artown in the amount of \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000, approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

Washoe County provides grants to address special community needs. As with all grants provided by Washoe County these funds can only be provided to a private organization, not for profit, or to a governmental entity, for charitable or educational purposes, and must provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. Grant awards for FY 2016-2017: Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) \$10,000; Artown \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation \$10,000.

Board of County Commission Strategic Objectives and Outcomes supported by this item:

- Safe, Secure and Health Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

On August 25, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners approved a Grant Program Contract FY 2015-2016 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000.

BACKGROUND

Historically, Washoe County has made Community Support funds available to local community based providers to support services that address diverse health and human service needs in the community, or contribute to economic development and quality of life issues.

Below are a summary of the Community Support budget for FY17, and a summary of Silver State Fair Housing Council, Artown, and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FY2017: \$269,761

Mandated Support: \$46,000

- Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Compact \$36,000
- Silver State Fair Housing \$10,000

Economic Development \$58,800

- EDAWN \$41,300
- Tahoe Prosperity Center \$10,000
- Western Nevada Development District \$7,500

Event Sponsorship: \$75,000

- Artown 2016 \$25,000
- Reno Tahoe Open \$10,000
- 2016-2017 Events to be determined \$40,000

Community Special Projects: \$89,961

- Partners In Education \$10,000
- Projects in support of FY17 Strategic Plan \$79,961

Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC)

SSFHC is a nonprofit that works to ensure equal housing opportunity for all residents of northern Nevada. Washoe County has provided funding to SSFHC, since 1998 to support a variety of services including development and dissemination of informational materials and education to increase community awareness of housing discrimination, Fair Housing Act protections, and fair housing rights and responsibilities.

As a recipient of federal grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washoe County is required to demonstrate efforts to further fair housing standards in our community. SSFHC seeks to increase community awareness of housing discrimination by providing community members with information to detect and report housing discrimination, and by educating housing providers about fair housing rights and responsibilities. Successful fair housing advocacy through community awareness provides a substantial benefit to residents of Washoe County by ensuring that equal housing opportunity is available to all residents.

Artown

Artown is a nonprofit that works to encourage local artist participation and highlight the best performers in northern Nevada. Additionally, they exist to market and promote these arts events locally, regionally, and nationally as a premier arts festival. Artown, a month-long summer arts festival, features about 500 events produced by more than 100 organizations and businesses in nearly 100 locations.

Reno Tahoe Open Foundation

The Reno Tahoe Open Foundation is a nonprofit that works to conduct a PGA TOUR sanctioned professional golf tournament that will:

1. Contribute positively to the quality of life in our community
2. Provide growing annual financial contributions to charity
3. Promote volunteerism, and
4. Provide a positive economic impact to the community.

Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation has a significant economic impact for the Reno/Tahoe region and highlights this stunning region as a world class golf destination through national and international media coverage.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the SSFHC award have been included in the Community Support Program within the Management Services Division’s FY2016-17 approved budget under cost center 181100. Should the Board approve these grant funds, budget appropriation transfers are needed as follows:

Account Number	Description	Amount Increase/ (Decrease)
181100 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	(10,000)
60044 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	10,000

Funds for Artown and the Reno Tahoe Open Foundation awards have been included in the Community Support Program within the Management Services Division’s FY2016-17 approved budget under cost center 183110. Should the Board approve these grant funds, budget appropriation transfers are needed as follows:

Account Number	Description	Amount Increase/ (Decrease)
183110 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	(25,000)
TBD – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	25,000
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TBD – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	10,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve grant awards for FY 2016-2017 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; Artown in the amount of \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000, approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board accept staff's recommendation a possible motion would be: move to *“approve grant awards for FY 2016-2017 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; Artown in the amount of \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000, approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers.”*

RESOLUTION – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit
Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational
Purposes

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$10,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to encourage fair housing standards; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Silver State Fair Housing Council, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$10,000 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing informational materials and education to increase community awareness of housing discrimination, Fair Housing Act protections, and fair housing rights and responsibilities.
3. The maximum amount to be expended is \$10,000.

Adopted this 21th Day of June 2016

Kitty Jung, Chair
Washoe County Commission

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County Clerk

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$25,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to support a month-long summer arts festival, and encourage local artist participation in the festival; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Artown, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$25,000 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing a month-long summer arts festival, featuring about 500 in nearly 100 locations.
3. The conditions and limitations upon the grant are as follows:
 - a) Event must be held for the purpose of improving public awareness, education and/or support for a specific community issue, topic, or concern. Including, but not limited to topics related to community, economic diversification, culture, the arts, the environment, and health and human service issues.
 - b) Event must be open to public participation without limiting participation to a specific target population.
 - c) Event must be annual or one-time events not on-going activities.

- d) Events for which the primary purpose is to raise funds to support programs or operation of the non-profit are not allowable.
- e) Any organization participating in partisan activity in the judgement of County Staff or the Commission, is not allowable.

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County has determined that \$10,000 in funding is needed to assist in providing services to support the Reno Tahoe Open a PGA Tour sanctioned professional golf tournament; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to the Reno Tahoe Open Foundation, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$10,000 (Community Support).
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants of the County by providing a significant economic impact for the Reno/Tahoe region and contributing positively to the quality of life in our community.
3. The conditions and limitations upon the grant are as follows:
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