

POSSIBLE MOTION

I MOVE TO approve Resolution 2019-01
on first and final reading.



City and Borough of Sitka

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Paxton and Members of the Assembly
Keith Brady, Municipal Administrator
Maegan Bosak, Community Affairs Director

From: Lauren Moore, Interim Planning Director

CC: Jay Sweeney, Chief Finance and Administrative Officer
Melissa Haley, Controller

Date: December 18, 2018

Subject: Certified Local Government Grant Application – Alaska Arts Southeast

Background

The Historic Preservation Commission is recommending approval of a Certified Local Government grant application submitted by Rebecca Poulson on behalf of Alaska Arts Southeast, a registered non-profit organization. The recommendation was made at their December 13, 2018 meeting.

The intent is to continue the historic restoration of Fraser Hall, which defines the eastern side of the formal campus quadrangle of the Sheldon Jackson School National Historic Landmark. The project will restore the large classroom on the main floor of Fraser Hall to create a space for year-round use with electric heat, storm windows, and blinds for showing films or slideshows. A public presentation will also be held to educate the public.

The State Historic Preservation Office announced the FY 19 grant on November 7, 2018. The Historic Preservation Commission considered the application on December 13, 2018 and voted 4-1 to support the project. The application deadline is January 11, 2019.

Analysis

Alaska Arts Southeast has received numerous private and government grants for the preservation and rehabilitation of the historic Sheldon Jackson Campus, and this application represents a continuation of that effort. The project is supported by Goal 6 of

the Sitka Comprehensive Plan, which is to “Celebrate Sitka’s historic, cultural, and arts resources, which are ethnically, religiously, and racially diverse; highly valued and essential to defining Sitka and local quality of life; and integral to the economic base of the community.”

The subgrantee must follow all applicable federal, state, and city requirements regarding procurement, entity status, and reporting. Qualified historic preservation professionals must be consulted throughout the project as directed by the State Historic Preservation Office. If awarded, a municipal subgrantee agreement must be signed prior to commencement of the project. An administrative fee will be charged to the grant in accordance with Finance Department policy.

Fiscal Note

The grant application is for a 60-40 match grant. Alaska Arts Southeast intends to contribute \$16,667 with in-kind and donated resources and requests \$25,000 from the Historic Preservation Fund for Certified Local Governments (Federal Share).

Recommendation

Approve the resolution supporting the grant application.