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To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 4, 2018

Re: Transfer of \$30,000 from the Council Reserve fund to the Office of Cultural Affairs for Columbia Access Television

Executive Summary

This legislation would allow the transfer of Fiscal Year 2018 Council Reserve funds to the Office of Cultural Affairs to provide additional funding to Columbia Access Television (CAT) for Fiscal Year 2019.

Discussion

At the August 20, 2018 Council Meeting, Council Member Ian Thomas asked that additional funding be provided to CAT, the organization that operates the public access television channel in Columbia, Missouri.

The Fiscal Year 2019 proposed annual budget includes \$35,000 within the Office of Cultural Affairs budget to be allocated to CAT for the services it provides. Mr. Thomas has asked that an additional \$30,000 be provided from the Fiscal Year 2018 Council Reserve fund for CAT services so CAT has a total of \$65,000 in Fiscal Year 2019 to provide those services.

As of the writing of this memo, \$91,000 is available in the Council Reserve fund for Fiscal Year 2018, and only one other proposal for the use of those funds has been mentioned by Council, and that is for an amount of \$4,000. If Council authorizes this transfer of \$30,000 to the Office of Cultural Affairs along with the other \$4,000 for another use, the fund will still have a balance of \$57,000 for other potential uses.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: This \$30,000 in addition to the \$35,000 already within the proposed FY 2019 budget.

Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



Legislative History

Date	Action
February 4, 2008	Ordinance No. 019815 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Columbia Access Television (CAT) for operation of the public access channel
March 17, 2008	R61-08 - Authorizing the City Manager to add a provision to the agreement with Columbia Access Television for operation of the public access channel
September 16, 2013	R190-13A - Authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Columbia Access Television (CAT) for operation of the public access channel
September 15, 2014	R178-14 - Transferring funds to provide funding to Columbia Access Television in FY 2015
April 6, 2015	R62-15 - Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Access Television (CAT) for operation of the public access channel
April 20, 2015	R70-15 - Transferring funds to the Office of Cultural Affairs for disbursement to Columbia Access Television (CAT-TV) in FY 2015
March 20, 2017	R36-17 Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Access Television (CAT) for operation of the public access channel in FY 2017
March 5, 2018	R33-18 - Authorizing an annual agreement with Columbia Access Television (CAT) for operation of a public access channel in FY 2018

Suggested Council Action

Approve the resolution if Council would like to provide this \$30,000 in additional funding to CAT.