

TITLE: Consider/Discuss/Act on a Project Grant Application Submitted by Heard Craig (Project #19-05) in the Amount of \$12,790 for Upgrades to the Carriage House. Amount Requested Represents 100% of Total Project Cost.

COUNCIL GOAL: Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney (5A: Create affordable recreational and cultural arts activities throughout the city) (5C: Continue to market and highlight McKinney as a unique destination for residents and visitors alike) (5E: Develop sustainable quality of life improvements within the City of McKinney)

DEPARTMENT: McKinney Community Development Corporation

CONTACT: Cindy Schneible, President

ITEM SUMMARY:

• The McKinney Community Development Corporation will conduct a public hearing on the project grant application submitted by Heard-Craig to fund upgrades to the Carriage House on the Heard-Craig property in historic downtown McKinney.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- MCDC has allocated \$1,364,926 to fund community projects eligible for consideration under sections 501 to 505 of the Texas Local Government Code in FY 19.
- Support for McKinney entertainment, cultural and tourist facilities is a strategic priority for the MCDC board of directors.
- The Heard-Craig Center, is a downtown landmark historical center that was built in 1900. In 1971, it was formally established as a nonprofit organization to

provide "no cost" meeting facilities to more than 20 local educational and fine arts groups.

- The Heard-Craig Center is operated as an event center and art museum with a mission dedicated to education, preservation and enlightenment.
- If approved, the project grant would fund re-design and reconstruction of the flat roof on the Carriage House. The current design leads to water leakage and damage in the building.
- Additionally, approval of the grant would allow for installation of a museum amenity - a machine stocked by the Artists in Cellophane organization that would allow visitors to McKinney and Head-Craig to purchase an original art piece for \$5. Other notable locations for this type of amenity include the Boston Museum of Art and the Houston Museum of Art.
- Approval of this request would provide funds for both components of the grant request made by Heard-Craig.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- The request is eligible for MCDC consideration under Section 505.152 of the Texas Local Government Code Projects Related to Recreational or Community Facilities.
- The project will enhance the quality of life for McKinney residents.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

Application Packet

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Application Packet Presentation