

TITLE: Consider/Discuss Promotional and Community Event Grant Application Submitted by Crape Myrtle Trails Foundation (PC 21-13) in the Amount of \$10,000 for the Advertising, Marketing and Promotion of the 2021 Crape Myrtle Trails Run and Festival.

COUNCIL GOAL: 5: Enhance Quality of Life in McKinney 5C: Market and highlight McKinney as a unique destination for residents and visitors alike.

MEETING DATE: June 24, 2021

DEPARTMENT: McKinney Community Development Corporation

CONTACT: Cindy Schneible, President

ITEM SUMMARY:

- Crape Myrtle Trails of McKinney is requesting \$10,000 for advertising, marketing and promotion of the 2021 Crape Myrtle Trails Run and Festival
- The event will be held September 25, 2021.
- The event features a free community festival and three competitive run/walks.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The mission of the Crape Myrtle Trails Foundation is to be an integral part of elevating the beauty and appeal of McKinney to the highest levels by showcasing the premier flowering plant of the South throughout our community in a thoughtful and meaningful manner and by promoting McKinney, Texas as America's Crape Myrtle City.
- Four key goals include: continued development and improvement of McKinney's World Collection Park; design, promotion and funding strategic plantings of Crape Myrtles in McKinney; award cash grants to MISD and other school districts' Phys Ed Departments to encourage student health and fitness; encourage travel and tourism to McKinney.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- MCDC's allocation for Promotional and Community Event grants for this cycle is \$100,000.
- Crape Myrtle Trails Foundation received a Promotional and Community Event Grant in the amount of \$8,000 for advertising and promotion of the 2019 Run and Festival.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

Application Packet Presentation