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TITLE: Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider/Discuss/Act on a Project Grant Application Submitted by Heard-Craig Center for the Arts (#23-03) in the Amount of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and No/100 Dollars (\$135,300.00) for Improvements to the West Garden at Heard-Craig Center for the Arts Including Additional Brickwork, Repairs to Existing Brickwork, Audio, Lighting, Gazebo Speakers, Additional Irrigation, New All-Weather Tables Chairs, Planter and New Bushes. Amount Requested Represents 94% of Total Project Cost.

COUNCIL GOAL: 5: Enhance the Quality of Life in McKinney
5B: Create affordable recreational and cultural arts activities for all ages throughout the city

MEETING DATE: January 26, 2023

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 \$135,300 improvements to the West Garden at the Heard-Craig Center for the Arts.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The Heard-Craig Center for the Arts is a downtown landmark and 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 for the benefit of tourists, visitors and residents of McKinney with a mission dedicated to education, preservation and enlightenment.
- The Heard-Craig is a Smithsonian Affiliate, a Blue Star Museum (for military

families), and a Museum-For-All participant, part of the Children's Museum network.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- Funds allocated for MCDC discretionary Project Grants for FY23 totaled \$2,177,223.
- In FY 2021, MCDC awarded \$239,494 to Heard-Craig Center for the Arts for improvements including repairs, paint, lighting, landscaping, security system, and installation of walkways and signage.
- The request is eligible for MCDC consideration under Section 505.152 of the Texas Local Government Code - Projects related to museums and exhibition facilities.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

- Application Packet
- Presentation

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