

# Lear Theater ARPA Funding

## October 9, 2024



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**RENO**

# Alignment with Strategic Plan



Arts, Parks, & Historical  
Resources

# Background

Council previously allocated \$1,000,000 from ARPA funding to the Lear Theater for repairs and improvements to landscaping and security including:

- Historic structure report
- Replacement of concrete steps and terrace at the south entrance, including ADA handrails
- Replacement of landscaping
- Exterior lighting to illuminate the building
- New temporary perimeter fence and gates

# Timeline of Correspondence

- March 21, 2024: Staff reached out to SHPO with completed permission form and first set of drawings
- March 29, 2024: SHPO requested additional information
- May 13 and June 11, 2024: Additional information provided
- June 24, 2024: SHPO responded with a permission letter denying landscaping, concrete replacement, and fence
- August 9, 2024: Staff provided additional information to SHPO



# Timeline of Correspondence (Cont'd)

- September 16, 2024: Staff met with SHPO, SHPO indicated approval for landscaping and concrete but not fence, matter referred to Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation (CCCHP)
- October 4, 2024: CCCHP approved temporary fence with the requirement that the City make an annual report showing efforts to improve the Lear and remove the fence within 8 years (option to reapply to extend the time if needed)

# Funding Already Spent

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Historic Structure Report	\$99,957
Design Workshop design and plans for the project	\$49,636 (out of \$70,600 contract)
Building Permit	\$2,070
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$151,663</b>

# Remaining Costs

Improvement/Repair/Description	Estimated Construction Amount
Concrete replacement/repair	\$330,000
Landscaping/irrigation	\$300,000
Design Workshop Remaining Contracted Funds	\$20,964
Temporary Wrought Iron Fence	\$140,000
Contingency	\$67,373
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$848,337</b>

# Potential options for moving forward

- Proceed with all improvements on Lear
- Proceed with some improvements on Lear, and reallocate the remaining funds
- Do not proceed with any improvements and reallocate the remaining funds



# Potential Reallocation of Funds

Project Description	Amount
Downtown Trash Cans	\$300,000
Parks District Consultant	\$200,000
Payroll System Consultant	\$250,000
Smart Technology Applications	\$98,337
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$848,337</b>

# Recommended Motion

I move to approve...

- Proceeding with improvements to the Lear Theater
- Proceeding with some improvements on Lear (which are...) and reallocate the remaining funds
- Proceeding with the reallocation of the funds at a not to exceed value of \$848,337 to new projects including downtown trashcans (\$300,000), a parks district consultant (\$200,000), a payroll system consultant (\$250,000), and smart technology applications (\$98,337)