

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** July 27, 2022

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Thru:** Doug Thornley, City Manager

**Subject:** Staff Report (For Possible Action): Acceptance of Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) Grant for Travel to National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) biennial conference FORUM in Cincinnati, Ohio on July 13-17, 2022.

**From:** Megan Berner

**Department:** City Manager's Office – Arts and Culture

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**Summary:** This item is for acceptance of a grant from the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Historic Preservation Fund for two Historical Resources Commission (HRC) members to attend the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) biennial conference FORUM from July 13-17, 2022 in Cincinnati, Ohio in the amount of \$4,804.

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:** Arts, Parks, and Historical Resources

**Previous Council Action:** There is no recent Council action relevant to this item.

**Background:** Staff applied for a grant from the Nevada SHPO Historic Preservation Fund grant program for travel to FORUM. On June 28, 2022 the City received confirmation from Nevada SHPO that the City was awarded a grant in the amount of \$4,804 for two Historical Resources Commission members to travel to Cincinnati and attend the conference.

**Discussion:** NAPC's FORUM is the only national conference focused on the issues facing local historic preservation boards and commissions. Held on a biennial basis, FORUM includes dozens of educational sessions and discussion panels, mobile workshops and tours, and networking for commission staff and board members representing local, state, and national organizations and government agencies. Bridging the Divide will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio on July 13-17, 2022. NAPC's FORUM is the only conference of its kind – focused specifically on the concerns and educational needs of preservation commissions, their staff, and surrounding communities.

NV SHPO administers a Historic Preservation Fund Subgranting program that grants funds to Certified Local Governments to attend the NAPC FORUM Conference every two years. In 2018, the City was awarded funding for two staff members and two commission members to attend. In 2020, the conference was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. There is no match required for these funds.

**Financial Implications:** There are no financial implications. This grant does not require matching funds.

**Legal Implications:** Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval and acceptance of the grant funding in the amount of \$4,804.

**Proposed Motion:** I move to approve staff recommendation

**Attachments:**

NV-22-10011 City of Reno NAPC FORUM Travel