

STAFF REPORT

Date: February 8, 2023

To: Mayor and City Council

Thru: Doug Thornley, City Manager

Subject: Staff Report (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Discretionary Funds to University of Nevada Reno Foundation to support the Latino Research Center's mission to foster research, student achievement, faculty collaboration, advocacy and outreach in the amount of \$3,000. (General Fund) [Martinez]

From: Abigail Mayorga, Community Liaison

Department: City Manager's Office – Council Donations

Summary: Councilmember Miguel Martinez (\$3,000) would like to allocate Council Discretionary Funds assigned for FY 22/23 to the University of Nevada Reno Foundation which supports the Latino Research Center, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, works in collaboration with the University of Nevada, community organizations and national agencies to meet the educational needs and goals of the state of Nevada and honor the intellectual and cultural capital of the Latino presence in our state. Discretionary funds are allocated to each Council member each fiscal year to be used to help support the initiatives of local 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations. Staff recommends approval of the resolution to donate these funds.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Not applicable.

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

Financial Implications: Funds are budgeted for Council Discretionary Funds in the General Fund.

Legal Implications: Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law. NRS 268.028(1) states that the governing body of a city may make donations to nonprofit organizations created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be used for a selected purpose. The donated funds must be used to provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the city. Council approval is required before the recommended funds transfer can take place.

Recommendation: Staff recommends Council adopt the Resolution.

Proposed Motion: I move to approve staff recommendation.

Attachments: The University of Nevada Reno Foundation to support the Latino Research Center Resolution