

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** March 22, 2023

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Thru:** Doug Thornley, City Manager

**Subject:** Staff Report (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Discretionary Funds to Black Wall Street to offset the costs associated to creating an environment that will strengthen disadvantaged communities in Northern Nevada in the amount of \$1,000. (General Fund) [Martinez]

**From:** Abigail Mayorga, Community Liaison

**Department:** City Manager's Office – Council Donations

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**Summary:** Councilmember Martinez would like to allocate \$1,000 from Council Discretionary Funds assigned for FY 22/23 to Black Wall Street to offset the costs associated to create an environment that will strengthen disadvantaged communities in Northern Nevada. 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:** Black Wall Street Resolution