

- B.15** Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Discretionary Funds to MidTown Reno Foundation in support of initiatives that promote community development, economic growth, and cultural vibrancy in the amount of \$3000. (General Fund) [Martinez]

## STAFF REPORT

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**Date:** May 21, 2025

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**Through:** Jackie Bryant, City Manager

**Subject:** Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Discretionary Funds to MidTown Reno Foundation in support of initiatives that promote community development, economic growth, and cultural vibrancy in the amount of \$3000. (General Fund) [Martinez]

**From:** Jenifer Alvarez, Council Relations Liaison

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

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**Summary:**

Councilmember Martinez would like to allocate \$3000 from Council Discretionary Funds assigned for fiscal year (FY) 24/25 to Midtown Reno Foundation. Discretionary funds are allocated to each Council member each FY to be used to help support the initiatives of local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

Consent Review	Yes	No
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?	X	
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?		X
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?	X	
<b>Other Considerations</b>		
What percent of the total City budget does this item represent?	<1%	

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

N/A

**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. Nevada Revised Statute (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:**

MidTown Reno Foundation Resolution

**RESOLUTION DONATING COUNCIL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO  
MIDTOWN RENO FOUNDATION IN SUPPORT OF INITIATIVES THAT  
PROMOTE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC GROWTH,  
AND CULTURAL VIBRANCY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3000. (GENERAL  
FUND) [MARTINEZ]**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Reno may donate funds in accordance with NRS 268.028(01), entitled “Expenditure of public money; grant of public money and donation of certain property to certain nonprofit organizations or governmental entities” when such expenditure provides a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the MidTown Reno Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the MidTown District of Reno through beautification projects, local business support, and community engagement programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the MidTown Reno Foundation has demonstrated a positive impact on the region by fostering a sense of place, encouraging small business growth, and public art; and

**WHEREAS**, the MidTown District serves as a hub for small businesses, arts, culture, and community activities, contributing significantly to the economic and social fabric of the greater Reno area; and

**WHEREAS**, the MidTown Reno Foundation actively engages in projects that foster placemaking, such as public art installations, beautification efforts, infrastructure improvements, and support for neighborhood events and initiatives; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Reno approves the Council donation from Councilmember Martinez in the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000) to MidTown Reno Foundation; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that should the above donation or any portion thereof not be used for the purpose as set forth in this Resolution, any unused funds shall be returned to the City of Reno.

Upon motion by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: \_\_\_\_\_

NAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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HILLARY SCHIEVE MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MIKKI HUNTSMAN

CITY CLERK