

Legislation Text

File #: Res. 2021-40R, Version: 1

AGENDA CAPTION:

Consider approval of Resolution 2021-40R, expressing the City Council's support for exploring the possibility of a collaboration with the Indigenous Cultures Institute in establishing an Indigenous Cultures Center, including exploring the possibility of joining with the Indigenous Cultures institute in applying for Hays County Parks and Opens Space Bond funding and providing City property for this project; and declaring an effective date.

Meeting date: February 24, 2021

Department: City Manager's Office

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: Click or tap here to enter text.Account Number: Click or tap here to enter text.Funds Available: Click or tap here to enter text.Account Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: Click or tap here to enter text.

<u>City Council Strategic Initiative:</u> [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

Choose an item.

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<u>Comprehensive Plan Element (s)</u>: [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu

below]

- Economic Development Choose an item.
- Environment & Resource Protection Choose an item.
- □ Land Use Choose an item.
- □ Neighborhoods & Housing Choose an item.
- □ Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities Choose an item.

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- □ Transportation Choose an item.
- □ Core Services
- □ Not Applicable

<u>Master Plan</u>: [Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)] Choose an item.

Background Information:

The City has received a request from the Indigenous Cultures Institute proposing a collaboration between their nonprofit organization and the City of San Marcos for the purpose of establishing an Indigenous Cultures Center in our City. The proposed multidisciplinary center will feature an exhibit, gallery, classroom spaces, outdoor gardens, ceremonial space, and performing arts capacity. The facility is proposed to be a signature icon of San Marcos focusing on the 14,000 year old history of the original Indigenous people of this area, which is considered by archeologists as the oldest, continuously inhabited site in North America.

The Indigenous Cultures Institute would like to co-apply with the City of San Marcos for Hays County Parks and Open Spaces bond monies in order to fund the endeavor.

The Resolution associated with this item expresses the City's support of the Indigenous Cultures Institute to pursue funding through the Hays County Parks and Open Spaces bond process. The Resolution also includes the City's commitment to explore available and feasible options to locate the proposed Center.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

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Alternatives:

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Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval.