

# Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 05/24/22

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-0393

LOG NAME: 25PED\_WRMC\_ESCALATOR\_REPLACE

**SUBJECT**

(CD 7) Adopt the Attached Ordinance Increasing Appropriations in Public Events Capital Fund in the Amount of \$1,657,500.00, from Available Funds, to Accelerate the Escalator Removal and Replacement at Will Rogers Memorial Center and Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-2026 Public Events Capital Improvement Program

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Public Events Capital Fund in the amount of \$1,657,500.00 from available funds, for the purpose of funding the WRMC Escalator Removal and Replacement project (City Project No. 104044); and
2. Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-2026 Public Events Capital Improvement Program.

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**DISCUSSION:**

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) appropriates a total of \$1,657,500.00 in available UNSPEC dollars in the Public Events Capital Fund to accelerate the replacement of all four (4) escalators at the Amon Carter Building at the Will Rogers Memorial Center by the Public Events Department (PED) under the scope and construction of a single project rather than in multi-year phases.

The original intent of PED was to conduct this project in phases beginning in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022; as such \$500,000.00 of the total amount was proposed for the current year in the Fiscal Year 2022-2026 Public Events Capital Improvement Program (CIP), but omitted from appropriation Ordinance 25073-09-2021, with the remaining balance planned for future years in the CIP. This M&C seeks to accelerate the project by appropriating total funding in FY2022 for execution of a single project for the complete replacement of all four (4) existing units.

The four escalators are original to the building and have exceeded their life cycle. None of these escalators have received mechanical or electronic upgrades since installation in the 1990's. The tracks are worn and steps are of an obsolete design. When these units were installed, code required very few safety elements including step detectors and comb impact switches. Without these safety elements the escalators are a liability.

This project will completely remove the original escalators located in the northwest and southeast corners of the Amon Carter Building, within the Will Rogers Memorial Center, and replace them with newly manufactured escalators. The new escalators will incorporate the latest vertical transportation technology in the mechanical and electronic functionality which will improve overall performance, increase reliability and safety, and increase efficiency. Additionally, the newly installed escalators will increase positive customer experience.

The project will consist of a design, procurement, and construction. PED will engage a professional consultant to design and develop the bid documents for the procurement process in addition to overseeing the complete installation of all four escalators. Factoring in the current supply chain delays, as well as the necessity to maintain facility operations, the project will take approximately eight (8) months once a contractor is approved.

The project budgeted is as follows:

Project Management:	\$27,500.00
Consultant (Design/Bid Documents/Drawings):	\$30,000.00
Contractor (construction / Installation):	\$1,475,000.00
<u>Construction Contingency:</u>	<u>\$125,000.00</u>
<b>Project Total:</b>	<b>\$1,657,500.00</b>

Funding is available for appropriation in the Unspecified-All Funds project of the Public Events Capital Fund for the purpose of funding the WRMC Escalator Rip Replacement project.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

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**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the Unspecified-All Funds project within the Public Events Capital Fund and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the Public Events Capital Fund for the WRMC Escalator Rip Replacement project. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Public Events Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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