**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5.d**

**STAFF AGENDA REVIEW WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

**DATE:** June 23, 2025

**SUBMITTED BY:** Kimberly Dillon

**ITEM TYPE:** Resolution

**TEMP. RESOLUTION NUMBER:** TR#14286

**AGENDA SECTION:** **Consent Agenda:**

**TITLE:** TR14286 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Tamarac, Florida, ratifying the grant application to Broward County Cultural Division; accepting a $10,000.00 grant, with a 1:1 local match, to support Tamarac's 4th of July All American Celebration; authorizing the appropriate City Officials to execute a grant agreement and any necessary documents, with Broward County Cultural Division, pending legal review; providing for conflicts; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Grants and Governmental Affairs Manager and Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation recommend that the Mayor and City Commission: (i) ratify the grant application to the Broward County Cultural Division's Arts and Cultural Festival and Special Event Sponsorship Program, requesting $25,000 in funding and providing for a 1:1 local match, for the 4th of July All American Celebration; (ii) accept the grant award in the amount of $25,000, and (iii) authorize the City Manager and/or other appropriate City Officials to execute the grant agreement and any necessary documents between the City and Broward County Cultural Division, to receive the grant funds.

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Tamarac supports inclusive, accessible programming that reflects the diverse cultural identities of its residents. Accordingly, the City proposed the 4th of July All American Celebration.

The Broward County Cultural Division's Arts and Cultural Festival and Special Event Sponsorship Program grant is a competitive grant, designed to support community-based arts and cultural programming across Broward County. This grant initiative offers funding to local organizations and municipalities to plan and execute special events that reflect

the cultural richness of the region, foster collaboration, and contribute to economic and community development. Under the grant program guidelines, the maximum total grant award any one entity may receive each fiscal year is $50,000.

In alignment with this cap, the City of Tamarac strategically submitted two grant applications during the fiscal year 2025 cycle: one for a new cultural event, “Yard on the Lawn,” which qualified for a maximum award of $25,000; and a second for the long-standing “4th of July All-American Celebration” event. While established events under this grant program may be eligible for up to $50,000 in grant funding, requesting this amount requires a 1:1 match and a minimum total project budget of $100,000. Because the 4th of July event’s total budget was less than $100,000, that event did not meet the threshold for the full $50,000 request. Therefore, the City submitted two (2) applications, requesting $25,000 in funding for each event. The City’s combined total request of $50,000 for both events represented the full allowable amount for a single applicant under the program’s fiscal year threshold.

The City submitted its grant application for the 4th of July event to the Broward County Cultural Division on May 29, 2025. A copy of the grant application, marked Exhibit A, is attached hereto. On June 10, 2025, the Cultural Division notified the City of Tamarac that it was awarded $10,000 in grant funding for its 4th of July All-American Celebration event. Although the City had requested $25,000 in funding, the Cultural Division awarded a reduced amount. According to the Division, their determination was based on their funding priorities, which place stronger emphasis on cultural and artistic programming. The Cultural Division also explained that due to the volume of similar Independence Day requests and the event’s broader community and civic focus, the Division opted to partially fund the City’s proposal to support specific artistic elements of the event, such as the featured live entertainment.

The Cultural Division has indicated that it will issue a grant agreement and any necessary documents to the City for this $10,000 award in the coming weeks, and the City must execute the grant-related documents to receive the award.

**ISSUE:**

The City of Tamarac submitted a grant application to the Broward County Cultural Division, seeking funding up to the maximum award amount of $25,000, with a 1:1 local match, for the City’s 4th of July All American Celebration. The Cultural Division notified the City that it has been awarded

the requested $25,000 grant for the festival but must execute a grant agreement and any necessary documents with the Division to receive the funds.

**ATTACHMENTS:**