



Service Agreement for the Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History



City Council Meeting December 6, 2022



Background



- Prior to September 2012, the Museum was a City Department
- Since September 1, 2012, the Museum has been managed by an outside contractor
- Management Company operates all aspects of the Museum including maintaining certification and accreditations
- City owns Land, Building, and Collections



Background Continued



• August 28, 2018: Five-year service agreement approved by City Council and awarded to Friends of Museum of Science and History

• September 30, 2023: Current Management Agreement Expires



Friends of the Museum of Science and History



- Texas Nonprofit Corporation formed in 1974
- Supports the Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History
- Committed to minimizing financial burden on City's General Fund with objective of maintaining the history- and scienceoriented mission of the Museum
- Committed to improving the museum experience with innovation and enhancements by offering diverse event activity to area residents and visitors



Friends of the Museum of Science and History Responsibilities



- Friends of the Museum of Science and History are responsible for:
 - Daily operations and management
 - Marketing
 - Professional promotion and marketing efforts
 - Service-oriented guest and tenant services
 - Premium food and beverage services
 - Timely repairs and maintenance
 - Cleaning of building, equipment, and grounds
 - Positive, safe, and a secure Museum for both patrons and employees



Contract Value



| Proposed Service Agreement | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Fiscal Years | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | FY 2026 | Three Year Total |
| Management Fee | \$500,000 | \$500,000 | \$500,000 | \$1,500,000 |
| HOT Funds (for advertising)* | Up to \$50,000 | Up to \$50,000 | Up to \$50,000 | Up to \$150,000 |
| Museum Generated Revenues (Incentive Fee)** | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| Total From HOT Fund | Up to \$550,000 | Up to \$550,000 | Up to \$550,000 | Up to \$1,650,000 |

^{*}Contractor will receive reimbursement up to \$50,000 in HOT Funds for advertising per fiscal year

^{**}Museum generated revenues will constitute the contractor's incentive fee



Recommendation



- Staff recommends three-year agreement with Friends of the Museum of Science and History
 - Proposed Term: Effective October 1, 2023, and expire on September 30, 2026
 - Helps with executive recruitment and hiring of new Executive Director
 - Executive Director position is vacant as of November 10, 2022
 - Most recent Interim Executive Director had been in the position since the summer of 2022 (previous Executive Director was voted out by the Museum of Science and History Board)
 - Currently, Catrina Wilson is the Interim Chief Executive Officer/President





Questions