



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Consideration of Human Services Funding for FY23

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is for the Carrboro Town Council to consider human services funding recommendations for FY23.

DEPARTMENT: Housing and Community Services

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INFORMATION: The Town Manager's Recommended Budget for FY23 includes an appropriation of \$274,000 to be distributed to local nonprofit agencies providing services to the residents of Carrboro.

The FY23 Outside Agency/Human Services application cycle received 51 applications from nonprofit agencies, requesting a total of \$641,986. The Town's Human Services Advisory Commission reviewed the applications and held a total of six public hearings in February and March. During the hearings, the Commission heard presentations from applicants and asked questions related to performance, financial and organizational information, and current services.

On April 11, 2022, the Human Services Commission made a preliminary recommendation to fund all 51 agencies for a total \$274,000. They reconvened on June 15th to reallocate funds for one non-profit which has closed; revise their recommendation for IFC in light of the Town Council's decision to support IFC's request for shelter funding; and to address a potential correction. Their final recommendation can be found as Attachment B, and final recommended allocations are provided in Attachment C.

Conflict of Interest Statute for Public Officials in G.S. § 14-234.3

On April 29, 2022, Town Attorneys presented a memorandum to Mayor Seils and the Town Council regarding the conflict-of-interest statute in G.S. § 14-234.3 for public officials holding leadership positions with nonprofit entities. This statute, which took effect on January 1, 2022, prohibits public officials who also serve as directors, officers, or governing board members for nonprofits from participating "in making or administering a contract, including the award of money in the form of a grant, loan, or other appropriation" with those nonprofits that the public official is associated with.

As required per this statute, Council Members who hold leadership positions with any of the Human Services nonprofit applicants will recuse themselves from deliberation and voting on FY23 Human Services funding.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: The FY23 Town Manager's Recommended Budget includes an appropriation of \$274,000 for Human Services funding.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Town Council consider approving the Human Services funding recommendations. A resolution is provided as Attachment A.