

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: 2019-772

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: October 22, 2019

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, F

Date of Analysis: October 22, 2019

Type of Action: Agreement authorization and designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: This bill authorizes the execution of the Restrictive Covenant associated with the City and the Mandarin Museum & Historical Society (MMHS) and the extension of the License Agreement to 12/31/2029 so MMHS is able to receive grant funds and proceed with an expansion project. MMHS has an existing license agreement with the City to operate the museum and historic structures at Walter Jones Historical Park, and this bill authorizes the Second Amendment to that license agreement. The State of Florida, Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs grant award agreement requires the execution of 1) a restrictive covenant on the park property ensuring that the museum building will be used as a cultural facility for at least ten years following the execution of the grant award agreement, and 2) an amendment to the existing License Agreement between the City and MMHS to extend the term of the License by at least ten years. The Division of Cultural Affairs grant award agreement The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department will oversee the project.

Background Information: The Mandarin Museum & Historical Society has been awarded a State of Florida Cultural Facilities Grant for the project "Mandarin Museum Building expansion". The project will renovate the existing museum building by adding two new rooms, an exhibit hall, expanded archival storage, work space, an extension of the existing roof, and extending the electrical and HVAC. The only City contribution for this project is the in-kind removal of a few trees adjacent to the museum that is necessary to expand the building.

Policy Impact Area: Mandarin Museum & Historical Society

Fiscal Impact: State of Florida, Department of State Cultural Facilities Grant of \$92,063, with matching funds provided by MMHS and its donors. No City funding is being requested for this project.

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