

STAFF REPORT

Date: February 12, 2020

To: Mayor and City Council

Thru: Sabra Newby, City Manager

Subject: **B.20. Staff Report (For Possible Action): Resolution donating Council Donation Funds to Tu Casa Latina to offset costs in providing services, resources, and guidance for families to achieve a better quality of life in the amount of \$500. (General Fund)**

From: Cynthia Esparza, Community Liaison

Summary: Councilmember Oscar Delgado would like to allocate \$500 from Council Donation Funds assigned for Fiscal Year (FY) 19/20 to Tu Casa Latina, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, which is geared toward helping women, men, and children who are victims of domestic violence, abuse and trafficking in Northern Nevada. The donation will assist in continuing to serve members of the Northern Nevada community with services, resources, and guidance to reach a better quality of life.

Financial Implications: Funds are budgeted for Council Donations in the General Fund.

Legal Implications: NRS 268.028(1) states that the governing body of a city may make donations to nonprofit organizations created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be used for a selected purpose. The donated funds must be used to provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the city. Council approval is required before the recommended funds transfer can take place.

Recommendation: Staff recommends Council adopt the Resolution.

Proposed Motion: I move to adopt the Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION DONATING COUNCIL DONATION FUNDS TO TU CASA LATINA TO OFFSET COSTS IN PROVIDING SERVICES, RESOURCES, AND GUIDANCE FOR FAMILIES TO REACH A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500 (GENERAL FUND).

WHEREAS, the City of Reno may donate funds in accordance with NRS 268.028, entitled “Expenditure of public money; grant of public money and donation of certain property to certain nonprofit organizations or governmental entities” when such expenditure provides a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the City; and,

WHEREAS, Tu Casa Latina, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is geared toward helping immigrant women, men, and children who are victims of domestic violence, abuse, and trafficking in Northern Nevada; and,

WHEREAS, Tu Casa Latina strives to identify and build a better life for members of the community through direct service, education, advocacy, and community involvement; and,

WHEREAS, Tu Casa Latina educates members of the community who have been victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and abuse while also assisting in submitting necessary paperwork for the proper visa application while ensuring they are connected to the appropriate services in the community; and,

WHEREAS, Tu Casa Latina assists members of the community with U.S. Citizenship applications and provides citizenship classes in preparation for the testing and interview process; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Reno approves the donation of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to Tu Casa Latina to continue providing support to immigrant women, men, and children via their different services available; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that should the above donation or any portion thereof not be used for the purpose as set forth in this Resolution, any unused funds shall be returned to the City of Reno.

Upon motion by Councilmember _____, and seconded by Councilmember _____, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2020, by the following vote of the Council:

AYES: _____
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____ ABSENT: _____

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2020.

HILLARY SCHIEVE
MAYOR

ATTEST:

ASHLEY D. TURNEY
CITY CLERK