



STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 18, 2023
To: Foundation Board of Directors
From: Michael J. Aho, District Administrator
Subject: Teichert Foundation Grant
Prepared By: Danielle Whitmore

I. Recommendation

Approval to prepare and submit a grant application with the Teichert Foundation under the Fair Oaks Parks Foundation 501c3 tax id. The grant would request funding to offset the Soofa Sign(s) purchase for the Village Plaza/Park campus.

II. Background

Teichert Foundation, established in 1990, expresses the Teichert companies' commitment to build and preserve a healthy and prosperous region.

The Foundation makes grants to organizations that create beauty, foster culture, nurture children, provide access to food and housing for those in need, preserve nature, increase awareness of our environment, build an educated citizenry and a well-prepared workforce, and strive to provide better health for all.

Fred Teichert is the Executive Director of Teichert Foundation. Raised in Sacramento, Fred attended El Camino High School, Pomona College, and California State University, Sacramento.

The Foundation announced two new funding cycles for 2023/24

Cycle 1: January 2 – February 3

Cycle 2: July 3 – August 4

Teichert Foundation will consider grant requests in the following categories:

- Civic improvement and historical restoration
- Community and social services
- Culture and the arts
- Education
- Environmental planning and preservation
- Rehabilitation and health service
- Transportation and planning
- Youth and elderly

The Foundation intends to make grants from \$3,000 to \$7,500. The annual grant budget is \$400,000.

III. Problem /Situation/ Request

The District has identified Soofa Signs as an essential information hub for the community. These smart digital display signs will empower FORPD to provide equitable access to information to the residents and visitors of Fair Oaks Village and the Village Plaza/Park Campus. Securing funding from the grant will assist in offsetting the cost of one of two (2) Soofa Signs intended to be placed in the Village Plaza and Village Park to share relevant content for both the indoor and outdoor spaces managed by FORPD.

Placing Soofa Signs in the Village is consistent with the FORPD master plan as we have purchased and installed 4 signs in FORPD Parks, one in Fair Oaks and Miller Parks and two in Phoenix Park. .

Soofa Signs are estimated at \$8,000 each or \$16,000 for two including installation and maintenance.

IV. Financial Analysis

If the grant is awarded, the cost incurred by the District for the Soofa Signage will be used to offset by the grant funds from Foundation at the time of purchase. In addition, the District will contribute the remaining cost of the Soofa Signage from Measure J funds for an estimated total project cost of \$16,000.

Respectfully Submitted,



Michael J. Aho
District Administrator