

SPECIAL FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
November 24, 2015

A special meeting of the City of Jackson Finance Committee was held on Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at 11:30 AM in the City Council Chambers of City Hall with the following persons in attendance: Finance Committee members Dave Cushman and Brandon Finck, and City Administrator Jennifer J. Bromeland. Absent: Finance Committee member Fred Bern.


Review of 2016 Funding Request from Jackson Center for the Arts

City Administrator Bromeland distributed a copy of a request received on November 20, 2015 from Linda Clarksean, Board Chair of the Jackson Center for the Arts. The amount requested for 2016 totaled \$10,000. Discussion ensued. The consensus of the Finance Committee is to recommend to the City Council that \$10,000 be allocated in the 2016 budget for the Jackson Center for the Arts, contingent upon the Jackson Center for the Arts securing a building in the downtown area, and that the Jackson Center for the Arts can demonstrate that it is in operation.

Other

Discussion then ensued concerning future funding for organizations that currently receive an annual allocation from the City's general fund. It was noted that the Chamber of Commerce receives \$20,000 annually, the Cemetery Association receives \$10,000 annually, Fort Belmont receives \$10,000 annually, JCC Community Recreation receives approximately \$6,700 annually, and the Celebration Committee receives \$2,500 annually. Due to the demand for funding, the consensus of the Committee is for City staff to notify the organizations currently receiving funding that a reduction in funding could occur as early as 2017, depending upon the number of funding requests received and the amount of funding available. Committee members stressed that each of the organizations requesting funding serves an important purpose in the community, and that there is limited funding to be dispersed without negatively impacting the tax levy.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Jennifer J. Bromeland
City Administrator