Thursday, October 23, 2008

Library RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 12

Subject: Approve an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of \$1,200 in grant funds from Humanities Texas for a total grant amount of \$1,200 for the "Images of Valor: U.S. Latinos and Latinas in World War II" grant program; and amending the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Library Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund of Ordinance No. 20080908-002 to appropriate \$1,200.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from Humanities Texas. The grant period is October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Humanities Texas awards grants to support public programs that draw upon the humanities to increase understanding of the human experience. Through this grant, a traveling exhibit, "Images of Valor: U.S. Latinos and Latinas in World War II" will be placed at the Terrazas Branch Library beginning the last week of October and continuing through December, 2008 to honor our veterans over Veterans' Day 2008. A public program will take place on December 1st. Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez, Ph.D., Associate Professor at the University of Texas at Austin, will speak about United States Latino & Latina participation in World War II. Grant funds will be used for supplies and marketing materials to support the exhibit and program.

All department grant application requests are reviewed by the Budget office prior to submission to ensure that the grant minimizes the financial impact to the City.