



## Legislation Text

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**Agenda Item Name:**

Request to Approve Recommended Nature and Culture Destination Enhancement Grant Program Funding Awards and Authorize the County Manager to Execute Contracts.

**Presenter:**

Jessica Hurov

**Description:**

Request to approve FY2020 Nature and Culture Destination Enhancement grant funding recommendations.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve recommended Nature and Culture Destination Enhancement Grant funding awards as recommended by the grant evaluation team and authorize the County Manager to execute contracts.

**Prior Board Motions:**

On June 25, 2019 the Board of County Commissioners approved the Nature and Culture Destination Enhancement Grant application.

On December 11, 2018 staff was directed to incorporate objective criteria into the Destination Enhancement Grant scoring and funding recommendations.

**Fiscal Consideration:**

Nature and Culture Destination Enhancement grants are funded by 85% of the third penny of Tourist Development Tax collections. The total award amount for the FY20 Grant is \$1,000,000.

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**Background:**

On August 23, 2019 the grant evaluation team met in a public meeting to discuss their independent scoring, resulting in the attached recommended funding levels.

On March 22, 2019 staff convened a publicly-noticed Destination Enhancement Grant Stakeholder Meeting. Attendees were briefed on board direction, specifically as it related to the inclusion of objective criteria, scoring, and proposed grant application changes.

The applications are available in Commission Services for viewing upon request.