

CONSULT AGENDA  
ITEM NO. 38

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Malcolm Matthews, Director, Parks and Recreation Department

**SUBJECT:** Funding Agreement for the Witte Museum

**DATE:** January 5, 2006

**SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

This ordinance authorizes the execution of a Funding Agreement with the Witte Museum for the expenditure of up to \$464,300.00 from one-time General Fund dollars for facility infrastructure improvements at the Witte Museum, located in Council District 9.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In the FY06 Annual Budget, City Council authorized the use of one-time General Fund dollars totaling \$1,864,300.00 for facility infrastructure improvements at the Sunken Garden Theater, Japanese Tea Garden, San Antonio Botanical Garden Conservatory, and the Witte Museum's Ruiz House and Tree House. The action specified that City funds would provide a challenge-match initiative to leverage funds from the private sector.

This agreement will provide funding of \$464,300.00 to the Witte Museum, a non-profit corporation. City funds will be utilized for capital infrastructure improvements at the Ruiz House and Tree House components of the Museum. If these amenities are fully renovated, any remaining City funds can be used for other Museum building renovations, if approved. The Museum is required to provide a match equal to 50% of the City funds. Funds may be utilized for design, renovation and construction, and building materials associated with these improvements. The Witte Museum will accept full responsibility to manage and provide all of the activities and services necessary to satisfactorily complete the project.

**POLICY ANALYSIS**

This agreement is consistent with the City's policy to enter into agreements with other public or non-profit entities to assist with projects that benefit the citizens of San Antonio.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

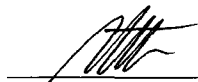
The use of General Fund monies in the amount of \$464,300.00 was approved in the FY06 Annual Budget adopted on September 15, 2005. Witte Museum must prove availability of matching funds by December 31, 2006. Funds will be expended on a reimbursement basis with the project to be completed on or before December 31, 2007.

### **COORDINATION**

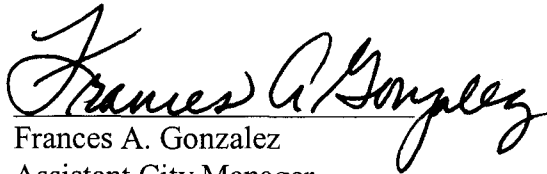
This item has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, the Office of Management and Budget, and the Finance Department.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY COMMENTS**

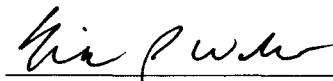
A Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.



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