

1/23/2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION relating to the award of lodging tax grant funds for 2023 as recommend by the City Council appointed Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, RCW 67.28.180 and 67.28.181 allow municipalities to impose a lodging tax of up to 4% on overnight stays in a lodging establishment such as a hotel, motel, bed and breakfast facility, or campground; and

WHEREAS, funds collected through the lodging tax can be used for the purpose of supporting tourism promotion, including but not limited to events, activities and facilities designed to increase tourism; and

WHEREAS, RCW 67.28.1816 and 67.28.1817 require that in order to expend lodging tax funds, municipalities appoint a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, comprised of equal numbers of lodging tax generators and potential lodging tax recipients, who will make recommendations on proposed expenditures to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City solicited lodging tax grant proposals from interested parties which were reviewed by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee in order to provide the City Council recommendations on grant funding to support tourism promotion.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. As recommended in the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee 2023 Grant Recommendations attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, the recipients are hereby awarded grants for tourism related events, activities and facilities.

Section 2. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the city all necessary agreements with the recipients to ensure compliance with the terms of the grant.

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, on this 23rd day of January 2023.

Anne McEnery-Ogle, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Natasha Ramras, City Clerk
By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk

Jonathan Young, City Attorney