


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-015	Meeting:	January 26, 2026
	Agenda Item:	24	Roll Call:	26-0117
	Submitted by:	Matthew A. Anderson, Deputy City Manager		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving financial contribution, in the amount of \$15,000, for Jordan Weber's Water Curia installation, demonstrating support for the William G. Stowe Foundation's application to the State of Iowa Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of financial contribution, in the amount of \$15,000, demonstrating local government support requested for the William G. Stowe Foundation's application to the State of Iowa (CAT) grant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$15,000

Funding Source: CM001000; 528005

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The William G. Stowe Foundation is working with Jordan Weber on a public art and educational piece entitled "Water Curia".
- The Water Curia installation, to be located in Water Works Park, will draw visitors inside to learn more about water access in the Des Moines metro.
- The installation will serve as an outdoor classroom, a forum for events and lectures, and self-guided water education.
- The William G. Stowe Foundation is seeking local government support as they apply for funding through the State of Iowa Community Attraction and Tourism (CAT) grant. For this grant, support from local government typically entails a financial contribution.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Disbursement of financial contribution, in the amount of \$15,000, should the CAT grant be awarded.

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