



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona supporting the submission of a grant application to the Ak Chin Indian Community to Maricopa Unified School District for funding for the Renovation and Revival of the “Old Gym” at Maricopa High School and agreeing to act as the designated fiscal agent of such funding. Discussion and Action.

The City of Maricopa Mayor and City Council shall discuss and potentially sign a resolution agreeing to be the Fiscal Agent for Maricopa Unified School District for funding for the Renovation and Revival of the “Old Gym” at Maricopa High School to obtain 12% Grant Program from the Ak Chin Indian Community if awarded funding.

In 2002, Arizona tribes and the Governor concluded negotiations of a new standard form Tribal/State Gaming Compact (“Compact”), which was subsequently approved by the Arizona voters. In Section 12 of the Compact, each tribe agreed to contribute a portion of its gaming revenues in exchange for substantial exclusivity covenants by the State. Tribes must deposit 88% of this contributed revenue into the Arizona Benefits Fund. By law, the State must use this contributed revenue to support education, healthcare, and other programs that benefit Arizona residents. A tribe may elect to distribute the remaining 12% (the 12% Contribution) directly to the cities, towns and counties of its choosing.

For 2022, the Ak Chin Indian Community (“Community”) has elected to award its 12% Contribution directly through its 12% Grant Program. Through the 12% Grant Program, the Community accepts applications from cities, towns, counties, and other organizations seeking funding to support services that benefit the general public. The Community looks forward to supporting the Arizona community with grants made through the 12% Grant Program.

Proposals must address one or more of the following priority areas:

- 1) Economic Development
- 2) Education
- 3) Healthcare and Health Services
- 4) Public Safety
- 5) Transportation

Maricopa Unified School District is requesting \$3,967,511.00 for funding for the Renovation and Revival of the “Old Gym” at Maricopa High School. Maricopa Unified School District will use these funds for the estimate and scope of work that is contained in the application and includes construction, furnishings and equipment, and soft costs related to the project.

Agenda item is placed on July 19, 2022 agenda as application was submitted to Ak-Chin on or before July 9, 2022.

Staff recommends Council approving a resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona supporting the submission of a grant application to the Ak Chin Indian Community for funding Maricopa Unified School District and agreeing to act as the designated fiscal agent of such funding.