Agenda Item Number: R 222-14
Department Source: Parks and Recreation
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: December 1, 2014
Re: Boone County Historical Society – Building Improvement & Museum Operating Agreement

Documents Included With This Agenda Item
Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance, Exhibit to the Resolution/Ordinance
Supporting documentation includes: Correspondence

Executive Summary
This resolution will authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with the Boone County Historical Society (BCHS). This agreement will authorize the City to pay BCHS $5,000 for keeping the museum open a minimum number of hours and for maintenance and repair services of the Maplewood Home in Nifong Park. Funding is in the General Fund portion of the Parks and Recreation Department's operating budget and represents the same level of funding as last year.

Discussion
In the Parks and Recreation Department's FY2015 budget, the City Council approved spending $5,000 for maintaining specific museum hours and for maintenance and repairs to the interior of the Maplewood Home in Nifong Park. The City and the Boone County Historical Society have been in partnership since the City's acquisition of Nifong Park in 1970. The basic agreement outlines that the City is responsible for the exterior of the Maplewood Home and BCHS is responsible for the interior.

Park staff recognizes the need for additional funding for the interior of the Maplewood Home and recommends that the list of proposed projects for the future ballot extension of the Park Sales Tax include a Nifong Park project that includes funds for the renovation of the interior of the Maplewood Home. The goal is to bring the home to an appropriate service level required to attract tourists and host special events.

Attached is a letter from BCHS outlining their operation and improvement plans, along with their funding request.

Fiscal Impact
Short-Term Impact: Funds for this project are included in the General Fund portion of the P&R Department's annual operating budget. The amount budgeted for FY2015 is $5,000.

Long-Term Impact: This is an annual agreement.

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact
City of Columbia
701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Vision Impact: Parks, Recreation and Greenways
Strategic Plan Impact: Health, Safety and Wellbeing
Comprehensive Plan Impact: Infrastructure

Suggested Council Action
Approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Legislative History
Boone County Historical Society Agreement - Buildings FY2014

[Signatures]
Department Approved

City Manager Approved
A RESOLUTION

authorizing an agreement with the Boone County Historical Society for operation of a museum and maintaining and making improvements to the Maplewood Home and other historic buildings in Nifong Park.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the Boone County Historical Society to operation of a museum and to maintain and improve the Maplewood Home and other historic buildings in Nifong Park. The form and content of the agreement shall be substantially as set forth in "Exhibit A" attached hereto and made a part hereof as fully as if set forth herein verbatim.

ADOPTED this _____ day of ___________________________, 2013.

ATTEST:

______________________________  ______________________________
City Clerk Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_________________________________
City Counselor
AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT dated the _____day of ________, 2014, by and between the City of Columbia, Missouri, a municipal corporation (hereinafter "City") and the Boone County Historical Society, a Missouri not-for-profit corporation (hereinafter "Historical Society").

The Parties agree as follows:

1. Historical Society shall operate a historical museum at its facilities located at 3801 Ponderosa Drive, Columbia, Missouri and shall maintain established museum visiting hours for the public of at least eighteen (18) hours per week, April through October and at least ten (10) hours per week November through March.

2. Historical Society shall maintain and make any improvements to the interior of the Maplewood Home and adjoining buildings as budgetary constraints allow.

3. Upon execution of this Agreement, City shall pay Historical Society the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00).

4. Historical Society shall submit a report on or before October 31, 2015 that documents museum open hours and improvements made to the Maple Home at Nifong Park.

5. This Agreement shall take effect on the date of its execution and shall remain in effect until September 30, 2015.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

By: __________________________
    Michael E. Matthes, City Manager

ATTEST:

Sheela Amin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Nancy Thompson, City Counselor

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify there are funds available in Account No. 110-5440-541.49-60 to cover the above expenditure.

John Blattel, Finance Director

BOONE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

By: __________________________

Title: __________________________
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Correspondence
September 30, 2014

Mike Griggs, Director
Parks and Recreation Dept.
1 South 7th Street
Columbia, MO 65201

Dear Mr. Griggs,

The Boone County Historical Society is formally requesting funding support for Fiscal Year 2015 in the amount of $5,000 toward the operation of the Walters History Museum and the upkeep and promotion of the Maplewood Home and grounds. We are also requesting $14,000 in funding support for the caretaker’s salary.

We appreciate the support of the City of Columbia and the working relationship that exists between the Parks and Recreation Department and the Society and are hopeful that the level of support for the Maplewood Home will be increased in the future to reflect a more appropriate level of investment in this city-owned historic building. We look forward to working with you during another successful year of serving the community.

Sincerely,

Dick Otto
BCHS President