City of Missoula, Montana
Item to be Referred to City Council Committee

Committee: Administration and Finance
Item: National Institute of Health Design Contract
Date: September 11, 2019
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Ward(s) Affected:
☐ Ward 1  ☐ Ward 4
☐ Ward 2  ☐ Ward 5
☐ Ward 3  ☐ Ward 6
☒ All Wards  ☐ N/A

Action Required:
Vote to approve a contract for services with Process Curiosity.

Recommended Motion(s):
I move the City Council: Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Process Curiosity in the amount of $90,000.00 to provide design services for the National Institute of Health grant funded DNA sculpture and climber within the new public library.

Timeline:
Referral to committee: September 9, 2019
Committee discussion: September 11, 2019
Council action (or sets hearing): September 16, 2019
Public Hearing: n/a
Deadline: September 16, 2019

Background and Alternatives Explored:
In August of 2019 the City of Missoula received a $1.2 million grant to support The Link: A Collective-Impact, Place-Based Approach to Inspiring Montana’s Next-Generation Healthcare Work Force. This project will take a community-based, collective-impact approach to co-creating health science and healthy living experiences that are culturally relevant and meet the unique economic and workforce needs of Missoula and its neighboring rural and tribal communities. Led by project investigator Holly Truitt (City of Missoula) and co-investigator Dr. Rachel Severson (University of Montana), the project will position the Link, Missoula’s new library-museum complex opening in 2020, as a vibrant Third Place as a hub for health-science learning, healthy living, and STEM role-model engagement.

Financial Implications:
This activity is fully funded through a grant from the National Institute of Health.

Links to external websites: