



Fire Mountain Arts Council



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Date: September 9, 2022

To: Lewis County Board of County Commissioners and Becky Butler, Budget Manager

From: Fire Mountain Arts Council—Jessica Scogin^{JS}, President; Fred Schwindt, Treasurer; and April^{AR} Doolittle, Board Member and Grants Coordinator^{FS}

Re: Limited in change in scope request—Roxy Theater

Fire Mountain Arts Council requests a limited change of scope from that stated in our State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds application for funding to complete our capital project, Roxy Theater Phase 2 Renovation with Energy Upgrades.

“Priority costs for use of ARPA funding,” as stated on page 2 of our application, separates costs as follows:

- “HVAC for existing Roxy structure—\$ 47,219
- Construction of backstage/multi-purpose addition to Roxy Theater—\$ 165,375”

Instead, we request to simply apply the total amount to construction:

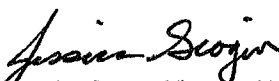
- Construction of backstage/multi-purpose addition to Roxy Theater—\$ 212,594

Applying all the funding to the backstage addition has multiple advantages.

1. It will simplify the reimbursement process. All reimbursements will then be for paying a single contractor.
2. BOCC approved use of the funds for expenditures after July 26, 2022. However, while preparing our application, we read that ARPA funds could be used to reimburse project expenses back into 2021. Therefore, we designated about half of the “HVAC for existing Roxy structure—\$47,219” to be used to reimburse HVAC payments Fire Mountain Arts Council has already made. Removing “HVAC for existing Roxy structure” from the scope of the application eliminates this dilemma.
3. Removing “HVAC for existing Roxy structure” from the scope of this grant also will save money. The remaining HVAC work on the existing structure is to be completed by September 15. The initial bid for this work does not include prevailing wages, and adding prevailing wages into that bid would add a significant amount to the overall project cost.

Unrelated to scope, we would like to clarify that Fire Mountain Arts Council’s project will fall under Expenditure Category 2.11, Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality.

Thank you so much for Lewis County’s help in completing the final phase of the Roxy Theater renovations.


President Jessica Scogin; Vice President – Kevin Downing; Secretary – Louise Fisher; Treasurer – Fred Schwindt;
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