



**GARDINER CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET**



Meeting Date	08/03/2022	Department	City Council
Agenda Item	4.r) Consideration to accept a resolution for Johnson hall		
Est. Cost	n/a		

Background Information	<p>Our Town is the National Endowment for the Art's creative placemaking grants program. Through project-based funding, the program supports activities that integrate arts, culture, and design into local efforts that strengthen communities. Our Town projects advance local economic, physical, or social outcomes in communities, ultimately laying the groundwork for systems change and centering equity. These projects require a partnership between a nonprofit organization and a local government entity, with one of the partners being a cultural organization.</p>
	<p>In order to apply for an Our Town grant, we are required to have a commitment to the project from the local government, as demonstrated by a required formal statement of support for the project from the highest ranking official of the local government participating in the project. We are going to be seeking \$75k from Our Town which we will match through ongoing fundraising efforts. This does not require a financial commitment from the City, just a letter of support, which we were hoping could be approved by a resolution at the Council's Aug 3rd meeting. The final deadline for the application is August 19.</p>

Requested Action	"I move to direct city staff to write a letter of support."
City Manager and/or Finance Review	
Council Vote/ Action Taken	
Departmental Follow-Up	

City Clerk Use Only	1 st Reading _____	Advertised _____	EFFECTIVE DATE _____
	2 nd Reading _____	Advertised _____ w/in 15 Days	
	Final to Dept _____	Updated Book _____	Online _____