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Subject: Council Questions: Item 2; Budget Amendment

Council Question: Under the item regarding the Library Fund Gift, is it known yet what the first season of the community-driven podcast about local history will focus on specifically? Is this something that the work of the Historic Civil Rights Task Force could fit into?

Staff Response: *The podcast will focus generally on Chapel Hill history, and how it informs the present and the future. The specific focus of any given episode or season will be jointly deigned with the podcast production team, our grant partners, and - most importantly - our community. We have a lot of possible ideas and areas to explore, but a big part of the project focuses on getting out and engaging with history makers, story tellers, and every day community members to find out what stories they want to tell and what stories they want to hear.*

We know that Civil Rights history is of great interest to our community. The Project Manager for the podcast is Molly Luby, who worked with the Civil Rights Task Force. We wrote into the grant a few show ideas, and a show/s about Civil Rights was one idea we used as proof of concept. I am certain the work of the Civil Rights Task Force will provide rich fodder and great inspiration for the show.

Council Question: Which projects are supported by the Opportunity Fund determined by Council that was referenced on p. 10 of the agenda?

Staff Response: *To date, the Council has used the Opportunity Fund to support a request from CASA for an affordable rental housing development on Merritt Mill Road. There have not been additional allocations from the Opportunity Fund*