

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date:	May 19, 2025
Action Required:	Adopt Resolution
Presenter:	Krisy Hammill, Director of Budget
Staff Contacts:	Samuel Sanders, Jr., City Manager Krisy Hammill, Director of Budget
Title:	Resolution to allocate \$100,000 for the Dogwood Vietnam Memorial Foundation of Virginia and \$4,260.65 to the Capital Improvement Plan ("CIP") Contingency Fund

Background

The Dogwood Vietnam Memorial Foundation of Virginia has requested funding from the City of Charlottesville, Virginia ("City"), to help fund the construction of improved access to the Memorial site.

Discussion

The Dogwood Vietnam Memorial Foundation of Virginia is currently raising funds for the construction of a parking lot and a pedestrian bridge for access to the Dogwood Vietnam Veterans Memorial located in McIntire Park. During the development of the FY 2026 City Budget, City Council agreed to provide \$100,000 using previously appropriated funds identified by the City Manager for projects that are now complete. As a matter of practice, once projects are complete, any remaining cash allocated to the project is returned to the CIP Contingency Fund, where it remains available for City Council to allocate to other projects as needed. In this instance, \$104,260.65 has been identified, and \$100,000 of the total is being allocated to Dogwood, with the remaining \$4,260.65 being returned to the CIP Contingency Fund.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

This Agenda item aligns with the strategic outcome area of Partnerships in the City Council's Strategic Plan.

Community Engagement

City Council had an open discussion about the request and its desire to allocate funding at the March 13, 2025, Budget Work Session, which was held as a Public Meeting.

Budgetary Impact

Routinely, City Staff review and close CIP accounts for projects that have been completed. Any remaining City funds in those accounts are allocated to the CIP Contingency Account, where they

remain available for City Council to appropriate for some other use. The City Manager identified \$104,261 in three (3) project accounts that could be closed out and recommended that \$100,000 be allocated to the Dogwood Memorial, and the remaining \$4,261 would go to the CIP Contingency Fund.

The total project cost is still to be determined. Additional funding requests, as well as the potential opportunity to engage in a Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act ("PPEA"), may be presented to City Council for consideration at a later date. The PPEA was passed in 2002 by the Virginia General Assembly to allow localities to form partnerships with the private sector. Through these partnerships, the public and private sectors work together to complete major projects, like building new schools. To date, hundreds of successful PPEA projects have been completed in Virginia.

Recommendation

City Staff recommends adoption of the attached Resolution.

Alternatives

N/A

Attachments

1. Dogwood Vietnam Memorial(rev)