

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION

COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

RECOMMENDATON NUMBER: 20220309-3a3 REGARDING: Community Technology Interns

WHEREAS, the City began, in late 2019, a pilot program to refurbish retired City computers and make them available for public benefit via distribution to community non-profits;

WHEREAS, that pilot program is now established as formal service offered by the City named The Community PC Program and has deployed over 1,743 devices since inception;

WHEREAS, the Community PC Program processes over 500 devices annually, on average;

WHEREAS, the Community PC Program is poised to increase the number of devices made available to the community every year by seeking private sector device donations, which would proportionally increase the amount of staff needed to refurbish the devices and administratively support the program;

WHEREAS, administrative and technology interns would allow the Community PC Program to provide more IT support to device recipients;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Community Technology and Telecommunications Commission recommends that the City allocate sufficient funds to support a technical intern and an administrative intern to support the Community Technology division of Financial Services Department.

Date of Approval: March 9, 2022

Record of the vote: Motion to recommend funding for two interns at \$15 and \$20 dollars per hour to support the Community Technology unit of Financial Services Department made by Chair Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Eiland passed on a vote of 7-0.

ATTEST:

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