



City Council

Hands On Children's Museum Expansion Update

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Receive an update regarding expansion of the Hands on Children's Museum.

Report

Issue:

Whether to receive an update regarding expansion of the Hands on Children's Museum.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

Jay Burney, City Manager

Patty Belmonte, Executive Director, Hands on Children's Museum

Background and Analysis:

Executive Director of the Hands on Children's Museum (HOCM), Patty Belmonte will present plans for expansion of the Museum.

The Museum stimulates curiosity, creativity and critical thinking through fun, interactive and engaging exhibits and learning experiences for children, families and the community.

Climate Analysis:

This item will not have an impact on the climate.

Equity Analysis:

Incorporated in their values, HOCM believes in and fosters a space where all children and their families are respected and given the opportunity to learn, regardless of their ethnicity, ability, gender,

or income.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

The Hands On Children’s Museum is a cherished amenity in Olympia, to not only local residents but to the many out of town visitors they receive each year. The Museum offers an Access Program for underserved and at-risk families. The Museum also offers discounted military admission and memberships, free field trips for rural, Title I and underserved elementary schools, and several family support programs.

Financial Impact:

There is no immediate financial impact related to the update.

Options:

1. Receive the update.
2. Do not receive the update.
3. Receive the update at another time.

Attachments:

None