AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Ratification of BOCC Chair Signature; Grant Applic

Action Requested: Motion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins: **Term Ends:** **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

Requesting ratification of BOCC Chairperson signature on the grant application to History Colorado for the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) project in Crystal. The total grant amount available for 2019 is $135,000. The HPC is requesting $17,451.00.

Fiscal Impact:

Submitted by: Liz Mense **Submitter's Email Address:** EMense@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by: Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review: ◉ Required ○ Not Required

Comments:
ok db 1/16/19

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\dBaumgarten Discharge Date: 1/16/2019 Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes ○ No ◉

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 1/17/2019

◉ Consent Agenda ○ Regular Agenda ○ Worksession Time Allotted: 0

Agenda Date: 1/22/2019

Revised April 2015

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CLG Grant Application

Application Deadline: January 15, 2019

Name of CLG Gunnison County Historic Preservation Commission
Address 221 North Wisconsin St. Suite G
Federal Employer Identification Number (IRS tax ID number) 84-6000770
☑ Recently Completed IRS Form W-9 Attached (required)
Contact Person for CLG Mike Pelletier
Title Administrator of GCHP Commission
Phone 970 641 7645 Fax _____ Email mpelletier@gunnisoncounty.org
CLG Certification Date _____ Number of CLG Grants Received to Date 1

Name and Title of Chief Elected Official Jonathan Houck Chair of Gunnison County Com
Congressional District Number CO3
Federal House Representative Scott Tipton
Federal Senate Representative Michael Bennet & Cory Gardner
State House Representative Julie McCluskie & Barbara McLachlan
State Senate Representative Kerry Donovan

Name of Project Townsite of Crystal Historic Resource Assesment
Amount of Request $ 17,451.00
Project Total $ 17,451.00

Cash match (if applicable) *Cash match is no longer required for Colorado CLG grants.*
☐ In-kind_____
☐ Cash _____

Brief Description of Project (no more than 1500 characters):

The Townsite of Crystal and associated mill is the most photographed historic structure in Colorado. The town is located approximately 10 miles from Marble, Colorado in the Elk Mountain Range. The grant application requests funding for a Historic Structure Assesment of up to 15 different properties in the townsite. Many of these structures date to the 1880's and 1890's from when the mining town was first growing. The assement will include a records search with SHPO, historic GLO maps and the county tax records. These results will be incorporated in the final report. A field survey of the townsite will occur with detailed maps and architectural Inventory form completed for each structure. Photographs will also be taken. Finally, a cultural resource survey report will be completed that addresses the contributing features to 5GN1332 Crystal Townsite.

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Please be aware that you are not permitted to begin work on your project under any circumstances until your agreement with History Colorado is finalized. History Colorado's agreement schedule is dependent on Congress and the National Park Service. The date that HPF funding is available to SHPOs for disbursement to CLGs changes annually. Typically, CLG grant agreements are finalized between May and July.

☑ I understand that I may not begin work on my project until my agreement with the History Colorado is finalized at a time subject to the schedule of the National Park Service.

All work must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation. Survey projects must also meet the standards established by History Colorado and detailed in the **Colorado Cultural Resources Survey Manual**. Work not meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Standards in the judgment of History Colorado staff shall not be reimbursed.

☑ I understand that all work must meet the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation* and when applicable, survey standards established by History Colorado.

Projects must be fully completed by June 30, 2020. Your timeline should reflect this deadline. Please check the box below to agree to this deadline. Failure to agree with this deadline will compromise your HPC's eligibility to receive CLG grant funding.

☑ I understand that my project must be completed by June 30, 2020, to comply with National Park Service requirements. I understand that failure to comply with this deadline could result in History Colorado declaring all/part of the work ineligible for reimbursement.

Certification: This application is submitted to History Colorado for funding consideration under the Certified Local Government provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended. I certify that Gunnison County Historic Preservation has an approved certification Agreement and is eligible for participation in this program. I understand and agree to sign a "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matter, Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying" if awarded funds.

Signature of Chief Elected Official _____

Title Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners Date JANUARY 15, 2019

Section 1: Project Team (15 points)

List project participants, their qualifications, and the exact role they will play in this project.

The project participants will be the Gunnison County Historic Preservation Commission (GCHPC) to manage and oversee the grant. The GCHPC has previously recieved a CLG grant to conduct a county wide survey and context for future research and identification. Commission members Justin Lawrence (USFS Archaeologist) and Jody Reeser (Architect) will be managing the grant and both have previous experience. GCHPC members will be involved in research and field visits during this project also.
The Cox family which owns most of the townsite for providing access to the structures and partnering with the GCHPC to potentially open the school house to the public.
ERO Resources Corp. would conduct the research, field visit and cultural resource report. ERO previously worked with the GCHPC for the county wide survey and are a qualified consultant.

ERO provides comprehensive cultural resource management services to achieve compliance under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Our clients trust ERO to navigate the increasingly complex Section 106 process, from initial project development to facilitating coordination and consultation with agencies and Native American tribes. ERO's cultural resource specialists have developed programmatic approaches for multiple undertakings including completing large-scale inventories and treatment for complex multiyear projects. Our project expertise includes water development, electrical transmission, land development, conventional and alternative energy, transportation, and Section 404 permitting.
Cultural resource survey and identification
Geographic Information Systems modeling
Evaluative testing; historic property treatment
Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record to NPS and state standards

ERO Cultural Resource Specialist Abigail Sanocki (M.A.) will be conducting all fieldwork, documentation, and evaluative work. She exceeds Secretary of Interior Standards for conducting work in the field of architectural history and would serve as the Project Principal Investigator with assistance from ERO's staff cultural resource specialists and GIS department. Sean Larmore will serve as the Principal Investigator in Charge and would supervise reporting and contracting.

Section 2: Project Description (25 points)

Describe what you propose to do in the sequence it will be done, how it will be done, and why it is important.

As stated in the Historic Resource Survey Plan Gunnison County, Colorado (2016), the survey area should include all buildings located within the town's incorporated limits and along State Highway 3 at the intersection of Sections 27, 28, 33, and 34, Township 11 South, Range 87 West of the 6th Principal Meridian (project area). Forest Service archaeologists identified the entire townsite as a cultural resource under the Smithsonian number 5GN1332 in 1974, but did not complete an inventory of extant buildings nor provide an evaluation for the town as a potential historic district eligible for listing in the State and National Registers of Historic Places (S/NRHP). Tax assessor records and modern aerial photographs indicate that the survey would result in the documentation and evaluation of approximately 15 historical properties constructed between ca. 1885 and 1970. Each property will be documented on an individual OAHP Architectural Inventory form (1403) and evaluated as contributing or noncontributing features to the eligibility of the Crystal Townsite Historic District (5GN1332) for listing in the S/NRHP.

Previous stabilization work has occurred at the Crystal Mill and various structures in the townsite. The importance of this survey is to finally evaluate the site and determine the significance of each of these structures. Using the same qualified consultant as our previous survey should ensure all standards and requirements are met.

If this survey is not funded the current momentum of possibly creating a historic district of the Town will most likely cease. If Crystal is not evaluated and the extent of the resources not known, it could result in the loss of unique, culturally valuable, historic buildings due to neglect by lack of information and resources available to the proprietors of the Town. This is the first opportunity of creating a mining Town historic district that has come to our CLG. We feel it is our duty to properly evaluate and make all reasonable efforts we can to support the preservation of such rare historic elements of our County. This survey is the first step in providing us with the appropriate knowledge for being able to evaluate this historic district potential and boundaries. With private ownership of such a large grouping of resources, feelings and momentum could shift at any time, leaving such a Town to slip away without the supported knowledge and appreciation of the quality level of important local historical resources.

Section 2: Project Description (continued)

Section 3: Timeline (10 points)

List key milestones, in the order they will be completed, and target dates for completion.

April-May2019-Records search
June-September- Schedule and conduct field visit at Crystal Townsite
October-February-Complete cultural resource survey report
March-GCHPC review report
April_May-History Colorado reviews report

Section 4: Public Benefit and Outreach (20 points)

Include who will benefit and how they will benefit as well as information on how you will make others aware of the project and share its results. Then, describe how your project supports at least one goal and three objectives of the State Preservation Plan.

Gunnison County will benefit from the survey by understanding what buildings are contributing to the eligibility of the townsite. It is a heavily visited site by the public and increasing yearly. Many photographers come just to photograph the Crystal Mill Site, likely the most photographed historic structure in Colorado. The private landowners will also benefit as it directs their efforts and finances to the buildings that contribute to the townsite.

The Gunnison Country Times will do a newspaper article on the project to highlight the efforts of the GCHPC and we will make the survey report available to the public.
The most obvious goal that this project supports is "Preserving places that matter". The Crystal townsite is a special place that matters to many people of Colorado and tourists. The three objectives that this project achieves are to"conduct survey,inventory and designation proactively" with the completion of the survey report. By making the report available to the public and copies provided to local libraries we hope to "dissimenate cultural and historic resource information broadly". By explaining the purpose of the survey and how this will lead to further preservation actions at the site it will "increase historic and cultural resource preservation".

Section 5: Prioritization (10 points)

Describe why you have selected this project and why it is a priority for your CLG.

The Townsite of Crystal is currently part of our Gunnison County survey plan; it is of medium priority. We are proposing to increase that priority due to an opportunity that has come to us by the property owners' desire to create a historic district of the Townsite. We have few districts within our CLG and the historic mining town of Crystal we feel would be a very good candidate. This resources survey will conclude with enough information to help guide our knowledge of the level of historic buildings and other resources that remain at this location.

The Crystal Mill at the west end of Town is one of the most popular visited and photographed historic sites in Western Colorado. The Town's road access is County Rd. 3, which also functions as the "Main Street" of the Town, as building are aligned along each side. Locals and visitors travel this road to visit the Townsite heavily in the warm seasons and by having the survey completed, we as a CLG would have the information available to us for better preservation efforts and public outreach for users. All of the buildings at the Townsite are privately owned and the majority of such are owned by a single family. This family has made efforts to preserve the majority of the historic buildings as to the extent possible with personal resources and knowledge have allowed for decades. They currently operate the historic General Store as a visitor's center and retail shop open to travelers coming through the remote town. If, as presumed, the survey provides support information for allowing the property owners to move forward with creating a designated historic district, it would be a great example to our community of what amazing historic resources we have here in Gunnison County, how preserving such resources can benefit everyone, and where they can go to experience the beautiful historic fabric of our County's rich mining history.

If this survey is not funded the current momentum of possibly creating a historic district of the Town will most likely cease. If Crystal is not evaluated and the extent of the resources not known, it could result in the loss of unique, culturally valuable, historic buildings due to neglect by lack of information and resources available to the proprietors of the Town. This is the first opportunity of creating a mining Town historic district that has come to our CLG. We feel it is our duty to properly evaluate and make all reasonable efforts we can to support the preservation of such rare historic elements of our County. This survey is the first step in providing us with the appropriate knowledge for being able to evaluate this historic district potential and boundaries. With private ownership of such a large grouping of resources, feelings and momentum could shift at any time, leaving such a Town to slip away without the supported knowledge and appreciation of the quality level of important local historical resources. In recent years, such lack of knowledge and appreciation has resulted in the loss of several notable buildings. The community has become more aware and vocal of the importance of our original buildings which demonstrate the story of our past as representative of our unique story and its effects on the present and future. This project supports this developing awareness and our County's desire to keep its heritage alive.

Multiple members of the Gunnison County Historical Preservation Commission took a tour of most of the remaining buildings at Crystal and have been in regular communication with the property owners. This essential partnership is in place and enthusiastic about the knowledge to be gained by this survey. The County has worked with the subcontractors bidding on the project and feels confident in furthering such relationships.

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Section 6: Combined Scope of Work and Budget Form (20 points)

Note scope of work components on lines A through I (shaded in blue) and insert the associated cost in the space provided to the right of each line. Describe each scope of work component in the space directly below. If additional space is needed for descriptions, please continue into the next box field. Insert cash or in-kind match amounts in the space provided. Match is not required for Colorado CLG grants. See application instructions for more information on how to complete this form.

A.	File and Literature Review 1. OAHP Compass File Search 2. Order and review existing documentation 3. Online archival research of public and historic records. 4. Clerk and recorder records review	1,423.00
B.	Survey Fieldwork and Documentation 1. Draft land access request letter 2. Pre-field prep, travel to Gunnison County from Denver, and complete fieldwork, including photography 3. Draft and final OAHP 1403 forms for 15 properties	9,345.00
C.	Report Production 1. Draft report 2. Final report	5,190.00
D.	Direct Expenses 1. Mileage to/from Denver, Crystal for survey, City of Gunnison for Clerk and Recorder office research, between hotel and Crystal/Gunnison 2. Printing two hard copies of the final report 3. Two CDs of the final report	1,493.00
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Project Total	$ 17,451.00
Grant Request	$ 17,451.00
Cash Match	
In-Kind Match	
Total Match	$ 0.00

Attachments:

It is strongly recommended that you provide the following information when applicable.

- ☑ W-9 (required)
- ☑ Estimates
- ☑ Photographs
- ☑ Maps
- ☐ Letters of Support