

METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 98-27


Authorization for staff to issue Request for Proposals for architectural and engineering services for the construction to complete the 4th floor space of the New Theatre Building of the Portland Center for the Performing Arts.


The Metropolitan Exposition - Recreation Commission finds:

1. That the completion of the 4th floor space is consistent with the PCPA Business Plan 1998-2000 for pursuing naming gifts towards capital projects and building enhancements which cannot be funded in full or in part from other fund sources.
2. That the approved 5-year Capital Improvement Plan for PCPA includes design of 4th floor space completion designs in 1998-99 and construction of improvements in 1999-2000 utilizing naming gift fund resources.
3. That the Commission requires qualified professional services of architect, engineering and related consultants to complete this project.

Be it therefore resolved that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission authorizes staff to issue a request for proposals for architectural and engineering services for the completion of the New Theatre Building fourth floor space.

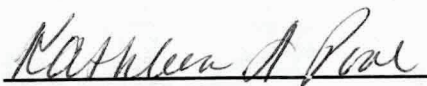
Passed by the Commission on June 10, 1998.


Chairman


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MERC STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item/Issue: Authorizing staff to issue Request for Proposals for selection of architectural and engineering services for the construction of improvements to complete the 4th floor space of the New Theatre Building of the Portland Center for the Performing Arts.

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Date: June 10, 1998

Presented by: Harriet Sherburne

BACKGROUND: In December, 1997, the Commission approved acceptance of a gift of \$650,000 for naming the Newmark Theatre with the potential for applying these funds toward capital improvements to complete the 4th floor of the PCPA New Theatre Building. Resources from this and prospective gifts have been incorporated into the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) towards the objective of completing the space in 1999-2000, making it useful on a year-around basis. Utilizing analysis and estimates prepared in 1986 and 1988, as well as current information developed by staff, the PCPA Advisory Committee has conducted public workshops on the future of this important under-developed resource. Selection of a qualified design consultant team is the next essential step in determining the plan and cost of construction; the team will work with PCPA management and constituents to refine design solutions which meet the use program and budget approved by the Commission. These designs will also be used to secure a naming gift for the space itself, enabling construction to begin as early as possible in the Fiscal Year 1999-2000.

FISCAL IMPACT: Capital Projects funds for these design and engineering services are included in the approved PCPA Budget for 1998-99 and in the CIP; Capital Projects construction funds are included in the approved 5-year CIP in FY 99-00. The project is shown as funded through funds contributed to PCPA.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommend that they be authorized to proceed with a Request for Proposals process to identify a qualified design team for approval by the Commission.