



Legislation Text

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Approval of the Library's participation in the Texas State Library and Archives Commission's FY2018 Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Lending Reimbursement Program.

Summary:

As part of the Library's accreditation requirements, we are required to lend and borrow items via Interlibrary Loan. Until recently, we have only borrowed on behalf of our patrons. We now receive a significant number of requests to lend our materials. We contract with TEXpress Couriers to ship many of the loaned items; others are sent by USPS.

To help defray costs of lending to other patrons, we are eligible to apply for a reimbursement grant. The Texas State Library reimburses libraries that opt in to a grant program for items that are lent to other Texas libraries. This year we have lent over 400 items as of June 27, 2018. We have the possibility of lending another 80 or so items before the end of the State's fiscal year (Aug 31, 2018).

Last year the program paid \$5.99 for each loan. The amount depends on the total number of items lent by entities that opt in to the program. At \$5.99, we would receive approximately \$2,600. If the amount paid was \$4.99 an item, then it would be approximately \$2,000. This would cover most, if not all, of the cost of the TEXpress Courier Service, which when subsidized costs approximately \$2,300 a year.

The administrative burden is minimal, so we would like to take advantage of this opportunity.

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:

The City will receive reimbursement for items loaned through the Texas State Library and Archives Commission's FY2018 ILL Lending Reimbursement Program in an amount to be determined in September.

Approve the Library's request to participate in the Texas State Library and Archives Commission's FY2018 ILL Lending Reimbursement Program.