Subject: To authorize payment to the Museum of Discovery for reimbursement for the cost of mold remediation and damages as a result of the February 2021 snow storm.

Action Required: Ordinance √ Resolution

Approved By: Bruce T. Moore
City Manager

SYNOPSIS
A resolution to allow the reimbursement of the costs of mold remediation expenses, and to permit the City Attorney to seek appropriate reimbursement for these expenses, as well as for the expenses for damages caused by the February 2021 snow storm.

FISCAL IMPACT
Funding in the amount of $175,000.00 will be utilized from an appropriate City General Fund Account. Any funds recovered shall be deposited to the same City General Fund Account.

RECOMMENDATION
Approval of the resolution.

BACKGROUND
The Museum of Discovery was notified of a mold problem in the building that it occupies. There is a dispute as to the cause of the mold problem; however, to avoid disruption of programs, the Museum paid the costs initially. This resolution reimburses that expense, but also directs the City Attorney to seek recovery from the potentially responsible party. Any such recovery would be returned to the City.

In addition, the 2021 February snow storm caused serious damage to the Museum and its exhibits. To the extent that these costs are not covered by insurance, the resolution authorizes the City Attorney to seek reimbursement from any responsible party.