



# Quality Community Foundation Discussion

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# Agenda

- QCF Founding and Purpose
- Relationship with City
- Considerations
- Move to Commission
- Discussion

# Founding

- On April 25, 2006, the Quality Community Foundation was created through the approval of Articles of Incorporation
- City Council wanted to create QCF to be the “fundraising arm of the City”
- Organized as a 501(c)(3) under IRS tax code
- Separate and distinct legal entity
- The QCF registered using City Hall as their address
- In 2007, the Civic Center building opened
- QCF updated registered address to Civic Center

# Purpose

- QCF was founded to be the fundraising arm of the City
- City Council wanted residents to raise funds and select grant and scholarship winners
- Unclear why QCF was established as a separate entity and not a Board or Commission under Charter
- Perhaps to create clear separation from Council members and staff
- City resources used for private entities is a concern

# Relationship with City

- City Council appoints/removes members on the QCF
- Finance Director or designee as Treasurer
- QCF has used city facilities as their registered address since creation
- In 2017, the City created a position specifically to support the QCF and other boards and commissions such as Senior Commission
- Time spent supporting QCF varies by time of year
- City partners for golf tournament
- City allocates some funding to QCF each year

# Considerations

- City resources not offered to other non-profits in the community
- Use of City funds requires procurement procedures to be followed
- QCF needs its own outside legal counsel
- City now has Grants Administrator that could assist with grants application
- QCF is a legally distinct entity
- City Council still oversees appointments

# Move to Commission

- City staff made a similar presentation to Cultural Council
- QCF and Cultural Council have similar histories and considerations
- Staff want to see if QCF is interested in having similar discussion
- If moved to a City Commission:
  - Minimal changes to current operations and purpose
  - Reduce considerations mentioned earlier
  - Provide more direct and indirect staff support
  - City Council presentation and ordinance to create Commission
  - Current members automatically appointed to new Commission
- If no, City and QCF may need to draw more clear lines



# Discussion