

Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission

FY 2017 Revised
FY 2018 Recommended
FY 2018 – FY 2022 Capital
Staff Presentation
April 4, 2017

Background

- Responsible for the development and effectuation of the state historical preservation plan, identification and protection of historic sites and structures
- Conducts and maintains statewide survey of historical sites and buildings
- Develops and carries out programs to document and celebrate Rhode Island's cultural heritage

Summary by Source

| | FY 2017 Enacted | FY 2017 Revised | FY 2018 Governor | Change to Enacted |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>(in millions)</i> | | | | |
| General Revenues | \$1.2 | \$1.2 | \$1.2 | \$(0.0) |
| Federal Funds | 1.1 | 1.5 | 0.9 | (0.2) |
| Restricted Receipts | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Total | \$2.8 | \$3.2 | \$2.5 | \$(0.3) |

Summary by Category

| | FY 2017 Enacted | FY 2017 Revised | FY 2018 Governor | Change to Enacted |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>(in millions)</i> | | | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | \$1.7 | \$1.7 | \$1.7 | \$0.0 |
| Contracted Services | 0.0 | - | - | (0.0) |
| Operations | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | (0.1) |
| Grants | 1.0 | 1.5 | 0.8 | (0.2) |
| Capital | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | (0.0) |
| Total | \$2.8 | \$3.2 | \$2.5 | \$(0.3) |

Target Issues

- Budget Office provided a general revenue target of \$1.1 million
 - Current service adjustments of \$13,456
 - 8.0% reduction of \$0.1 million
- Commission's constrained request met the target
 - Commission proposed privatizing the Eisenhower House
- Governor recommends \$47,572 more than target

FY 2018 Recommendation

- Transfers Eisenhower House from HPHC to DEM
- Reflects FY 2018 as final year of Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief grants

Personnel

| Full-Time Positions | FTEs | Change to Enacted |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Enacted Authorized | 16.6 | - |
| FY 2017 Revised | 15.6 | (1.0) |
| FY 2018 Requested | 16.6 | - |
| FY 2018 Governor | 15.6 | (1.0) |
| FY 2016 Average Filled | 16.2 | (0.4) |
| Filled as of March 18, 2017 | 15.0 | (1.6) |

Personnel

- Includes 15.6 full-time positions
 - One less than enacted
- \$1.7 million from all funds for FY 2018
 - \$1.1 million from general revenues
- Governor recommendations
 - Transfers 1.0 staff and \$0.1 million in funding
 - Funds 0.6 full-time equivalent position for GIS Mapping

Statewide Savings

- Assessment to salaries that funds workers' comp., unemployment & unused leave
 - Lowered from enacted based on experience
 - Savings of \$1.2 million in FY 2017
 - Savings of \$1.5 million in FY 2018
- Medical benefit cost growth
 - Lower than initial estimates
 - Savings of \$2.6 million in FY 2018
- Total impact to Commission
 - \$1,582 in FY 2017; \$6,417 in FY 2018

State Preservation Grants

- Total of \$35.0 million from G.O. bonds
 - Approved by voters in November 2014
- Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission: \$5.0 million
 - Renovation and preservation of historic sites and nonprofits
- Arts Council: \$30.0 million
 - Renovations to nonprofit theaters and performance spaces

State Preservation Grants

- Original program ran through 2007
 - \$5.9 million from G.O. bond funds
- Current plan is \$2.0 million for 2017 & \$1.0 million each for FY 2018 - FY 2020
 - Competitive application process with required match
- Since 2015 relaunch
 - FY 2016 \$1.8 million in awards
 - FY 2017 \$1.3 million in awards

State Preservation Grants

| | Small Project | Large Project |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Min. Project Cost | \$7,500 | \$45,001 |
| Max. Project Cost | \$45,000 | None |
| Min. Grant Request | \$5,000 | None |
| Max. Grant Request | \$30,000 | \$150,000 |
| Applicant Match | \$1 per \$2 grant funds | \$1 per \$1 grant funds |
| In-Kind Allowed | Yes | No |

Sandy Disaster Relief Grants

- Assistance for rehab of historic properties damaged by Hurricane Sandy
 - Funds to property owners as reimbursements or on as-needed basis
- Governor recommends \$0.9 million for FY 2017 & \$0.3 million for FY 2018
 - FY 2016 delays resulted in later reimbursements
 - Closes the grant program

Eisenhower House

- Transferred from the Navy to the state in 1964
 - Per transfer agreement, the state has affirmative obligation to maintain the property
- Available for public events
 - Previously open May – October
 - Open year-round effective FY 2016
 - Rental fees deposited as general revenues

Eisenhower House – Governor's Recommendation

- Transfer authority to collect Eisenhower House rental fees from HPHC to DEM
 - Establishes a restricted receipt account for deposit of rental fees
- Budget transfers 1.0 staff and funding from HPHC to DEM – provides enhanced level of funding
 - HPHC Property manager retired January 2017

Eisenhower House – Governor’s Recommendation

| General Revenues | FY 2016 Spent | FY 2017 Enacted | FY 2017 Gov. Rec. | FY 2018 Gov. |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Staff | \$102,721 | \$110,023 | \$91,816 | \$95,365 |
| Operations | 32,815 | 66,014 | 50,406 | 54,635 |
| Total | \$135,536 | \$176,037 | \$ 142,222 | \$150,000 |
| Restricted | | | | |
| Operations | - | - | - | 138,150 |
| Grand Total | \$135,536 | \$176,037 | \$142,222 | \$288,150 |

- Transfers management of the House beginning the second half of FY 2017

Eisenhower House

Asset Protection

- Rhode Island Capital Plan funds used for asset protection since FY 2012
 - Completed on schedule FY 2016
 - \$2.4 million in capital improvements
- Rehabilitation and reconstruction included
 - Improved windows, chimney, interior walls, kitchen, bathrooms and central staircase
 - New HVAC system, updated electrical and weatherization

Preservation Programs

- Commission offers publications for public purchase and allows public to make copies
 - Receipts required to support operations
- Revolving Loan Fund - to provide low-interest loans to preserve properties listed on State Register of Historic Places
 - Commission maintains \$0.4 million balance to fund approved loans

Preservation Programs

- Survey and Planning – RI State Survey is compilation of information about historical and archeological properties in every city and town
 - Constitutes the principal inventory of the state's historic resources
 - Activities funded from federal funds, determined by formula that changes annually
 - Governor includes \$0.6 million for both years

Other Preservation Programs

- Governor recommends \$65,770 for 2 new federal grants FY 2017
 - \$20,770 Underrepresented Communities
 - \$45,000 National Maritime Heritage
- \$54,500 from for FY 2018
 - \$47,000 from General Revenues
 - Inc. \$30,000 for Fort Adams Trust Identified in Article 1
 - \$7,500 from federal National Maritime Heritage

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