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Subject: Item 13 on the City Commission agenda

Mr. Mayor and City Commissioners.

I'm bringing to your attention Item 13 on the consent agenda for your next City Commission meeting. It's calling for approving the contract for Civic Moxie as the Master Arts Plan Consultant for the NEA Our Town Grant for the Truman Waterfront.

Civic Moxie received the highest score given by the ranking committee. This committee was comprised of representatives from all the grant partners in this process. These grant partners are Key West AIPP Board member Matthew Helmerich, TWAB member Al Sullivan, AIPP administrator Liz Young, City Staff member Alison Higgins, Studios of Key West Executive Director Jed Dobbs, Bahama Village Music Project Executive Director Katchel Duncan and local artist Eric Afinson.

This contract has been written and approved by the City Attorney and was unanimously approved by AIPP at our July meeting. I am respectfully requesting that this item passes on the consent agenda. This NEA Grant is a very prestigious community opportunity and timing is of the essence. We have already been given a time extension for this grant and there is a tight timeline to complete this process.

If you have any concerns please don't hesitate contact me. I thank you for your consideration.

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