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Motion

WE MOVE that City Council allocate \$250,000 to the Pendleton Heritage Center from the Neighborhood Activation Fund for much needed maintenance and repairs that have not been updated since 1990. The \$250,000 would go to critical repairs to their facility including roof repairs, new flooring, entrance and exit repairs and other general safety maintenance. Also included in these repairs would be the implementation of Wi-Fi capability for the community youth to utilize to complete school/summer schoolwork.

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Statement

The Pendleton Heritage Center (PHC) serves as an affordable community event space for current and former residents for a myriad or events ranging from art showings to weddings to other celebrations. During COVID-19 event venue spaces were forced to close their doors facing and indefinite future, including the Pendleton Heritage Center. This major loss of income negatively impacted the finances, maintenances and operations. While PHC is 100% volunteer managed, they have operated on a very minimal budget, and the loss of income as an event space has delayed maintenance of the building, as all available funds, are used for basic operational expenses.

\$250,000 would facilitate these improvements to preserve the architecture, history and culture of the Pendleton Heritage Center in the East End, while providing affordable events and office space, cultural engagement and educational programs that contribute to the local aera.

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