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Honorable Members in Session:

SUBJECT: Temporary Moratorium on Rental of Crocker Art Museum Facility

SUMMARY

At its March 26, 1985, meeting, the Board of Co-Trustees of the Crocker Art Museum approved a resolution placing a one-year moratorium on rental of the Museum facility to outside nonprofit organizations due to preparations for new construction beginning in July 1986.

BACKGROUND

The Crocker Ballroom and Forum have been available for rent by outside nonprofit organizations (501 (c) 3 organizations) subject to availability and certain other restrictions (non-discrimination, etc.) according to City policy. The rationale for the policy is to increase the accessibility of the Museum to the community and to generate revenue. Approximately 10 to 20 organizations have rented the facility each year, generating \$5,000 to \$7,000 annually, not including staff time. Rentals require the presence of the Chief Museum Attendant; janitors' time for set up and clean up; plus the Museum Director's and Account Clerk's time for scheduling, permits and special requests which are not reimbursed by rental revenue. During the upcoming construction period, staff time can be better utilized for preparing the Museum.

In preparation for Phase II construction of the Museum Master Plan in July 1986, available staff time will be needed to handle the inventory and packing and moving of art objects, library materials, and other materials stored in the deteriorated Annex Wing. Staff time will also be needed to move significant portions of the collections in the vault and gallery areas and to provide assistance and security as work commences on the central heating and cooling system as early as summer 1985.

These tasks must be completed along with a full schedule of public programs and exhibitions as well as CAMA activities and fund raisers for the Museum. Therefore, the Board of Co-Trustees approved a moratorium on facilities' rental for FY 1985-86 during this period of extraordinary demands on the Museum and its staff. The Museum will continue to host a few annual events of importance to the City and to Sacramento's art community such as the Chamber of Commerce Business in the Arts Awards luncheon but will curtail most activities not directly related to its own programmatic obligations. A letter will be sent to past renters notifying them of the moratorium and the reasons for it.

FINANCIAL DATA

Revenue from rentals is deposited in the General Co-Trustees Trust Account and used for programmatic activities. It is estimated the Trust Account will lose \$5,000 to \$7,000 during FY 1985-86.

RECOMMENDATION

This report is for City Council information. No action is required.

Respectfully submitted,



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