



# City of Smyrna

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## Issue Sheet

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**\$ IMPACT:**

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding and the Transfer of Responsibilities between the Smyrna Historical and Genealogical Society and the City of Smyrna regarding the Smyrna Museum and authorize the Mayor to sign and execute any related documents.

**ISSUE:**

This MOU will give the City of Smyrna full responsibility for the oversight and management of the Smyrna Museum. Mr. Smith is willing to assist the City or its assignee in transferring Museum oversight and control to the City of Smyrna. In addition, Mr. Smith has a great deal of historical and institutional knowledge that the City of Smyrna wishes to preserve. The MOU also acknowledges that the City of Smyrna will hire a qualified professional to manage the collection and operation of the Museum and the designated SH&GS board members will be encouraged to provide suggestions and input.

**BACKGROUND:**

Since 1999, Harold Smith, President of the Smyrna Historical and Genealogical Society (SH&GS), with the assistance of SH&GS volunteers, have been responsible for the oversight, operation, management, and control of the Smyrna Museum. Mr. Smith would like to transfer the oversight of the buildings contents and its historical collection to the City of Smyrna.

**RECOMMENDATION/REQUESTED ACTION:**

Staff recommends approval of this MOU and Transfer of Responsibilities between the Smyrna Historical & Genealogical Society and the City of Smyrna.