

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 23, 2024
TO: City Council
FROM: Katie Connolly, Budget Manager
REFERENCE: FY 2025 Proposed Community Grants—Annapolis Pride

In dedication to transparency, I wanted to state on the record that I am a board member of Annapolis Pride who is a recipient of a community grant in the Mayor's proposed FY 2025 budget. I want to be clear that I was not involved in the application or selection process. The budget team's only role was to provide a total amount of community grants to the selection team and they allocated the funds as they saw fit. This is also why the budget team will not attend the April 23, 2024 Finance Committee meeting. The process did not include the budget team at all. I have no voting power and therefore do not technically have to recuse myself but, to keep the integrity of our work, I wanted to make a statement to disclose my involvement in the organization that is seeking the funding and therefore want to avoid advising Council of any matters involving the distribution of the funds.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Respectfully,



Katie Connolly, Budget Manager

Cc: Michael Mallinoff, City Manager
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