## **Northfield Historical Society**

Contract for Service - 2018 Proposal B

## **Funding Proposal**

- Collect Northfield area history
  - a. Identify those objects and records that best tell the story of the Northfield area, including those provided by the City, and accept them for the collection
  - b. Establish an ongoing retention schedule and transfer of records held by the City to NHS
- 2. Provide proper care for the objects and records held by NHS, including those provided by the City
  - a. Determine the long-term preservation needs of acquired items, including those provided by the City.
  - b. Provide preventative conservation to objects and records using museum-quality acid free materials and non-invasive conservation methods.
  - c. Increase hours for collections staff to provide needed care and accessibility to the collection, especially for items newly transferred by the City.

Preservation Supplies - \$1500	Custom boxes, tissue, acid free ID tags
Staffing - \$8000	1/4 Time collections position - 10 hrs x 15.25 hr x 52 wks = \$7,930.00

- 3. Provide proper storage facilities for the objects and records held by NHS, including those provided by the City
  - a. Create and maintain a digital storage system to hold master media files within the City collection.
  - b. Increase the accessibility of City records continuing to be held by the City
    - i. Digitize two City Council minute books and provide metadata and transcription

ļ	Transcription and Metadata - \$4100	Contractor - \$25 hr x 150 hrs (750 pages)

- 4. Expand the accessibility of the City collection through digitization of audio/visual materials
  - a. Increase hours for staff to digitize 100 VHS tapes, creating a new master file and a 'for use' file in a current format
  - b. Upload appropriate digital files to the Northfield History Collaborative site
  - c. Complete metadata for uploaded files
  - d. Digitize HPC records, photos, and papers to increase ease of use by researchers

Digital Transfer Process - \$352	Contractor \$8 x 44 items
Staffing - \$14,500	½ Time digitization position – 16 hrs x 17.50 hr x 49wks = \$13,720

- 5. Serve as one of the core entities the City relies on to promote Northfield, past and present
  - a. Produce a major exhibit each year on a new aspect of the town's history featuring objects and records in the collection
  - b. Respond to research requests and provide information on the history of the Northfield area
  - c. Attend relevant trade shows to promote NHS as a tourist destination
  - d. Partner with area non-profits and small businesses (CVB, NDDC, Arts Guild, etc.) to provide programs and attract tourists to Northfield and the downtown businesses
    - i. Increase number of weekends with tour guides available
    - ii. Offer the use of NHS as a social gathering space in an effort to build visibility within the community
  - e. Increase educational outreach to school-age children through increased staff hours
  - f. Host up to four educational programs for a variety of age groups

Staffing	- \$16,000	½ Time education position – 20 hrs x 15.25 hr x 52 wks = \$15,860

Total Ask - \$ 45,000 per year